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Vol. XIV, No. 3. "The Gentiles shall come to Thy light, and kings to the brightness of Thy riving."—In Iz. 3. (Nov

THE CONVENTION AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.—The report of the Foreign Mission Board was read by Rev. John McLaurin. The past year has been a year of marked prosperity in the home and in the foreign departments of the work. The Treasurer's report showed that the funds raised during the past year have considerably exceeded the receipts of any previous year, reaching (with the balance from the preceding year) the handsome sum of over \$27,000; of this amount Sunday schools contributed \$2013; young people, \$171; individuals, \$2063; Ladies Scoteties of Outario and Quebec and Manitobe, nearly \$9700; Associations, \$1428. There is a balance on hand of about \$400, which is about \$1200 less than the balance of last year. The amount actually raised during the year would, therefore, be about \$20 500.

The sad feature of the meeting was the resignation of Rev. John McLaurin to accept an appointment under the Ameri can Raptist Missionary Union as superintendent of extensive missionary operations in India, with boadquarters at Banga lore. Had it not been that the hand of God was so manifeatly in the transfer of Mr. McLaurin's services to the Missionary Union, the Convention would have refused, by an almost unanimous vote, to allow him to withdraw from the secretaryship which he has, for three years, filled with great ability and success. As it was no one dared raise an objection to his going where Divine Providence seemed to direct bim. Mr. McLaurin is one of the ablest of living missionaries, and his name will always be held in honor and reverence among Canadian Baptists. He goes forth to his new work accompanied by the good wishes and the prayers of a people to whom he has endeared himself as fow men have ever succeeded in doing. We are sorry to lose him, but our loss is the gain of the Missionary Union and of the heathen of India.

Rev. D. G. Macdonald, of Stratford, was appointed Secretary in Mr. McLaurio's place. He will retain his pastorate, devoting only a small part of his time to foreign mission work. He deserves and will have the fullest sympathy and heartlest co-operation of the denomination in his efforts to maintain and increase the interest of the durches in missions.

The loss of Mr. McLaurin's valuable services should stimulate all who have the cause of missions at heart to increased expetions during the coming year. The estimates for the year are placed at \$30,000. This amount can be raised and must be raised. Will every reader of the LINE do his or her part towiful the accomplishment of this end?

The Missionary Review of the World for November contains an unusually large and varied Department of Missionary Literature, comprising over a dozen articles by wellknown writers on topics of current interest, among which. worthy of special mention, are . "Our Dobt, Our Duty and Our Destiny," by Dr. A. T. Pierson: "The Relation of Money to the Spread of Christ's Kingdom," by Rev. W. D. Section : "The Languagues of Nyass land (British Central Africa) in Relation to the Spread of Christ's Kingdom," by W. A. E-malie; "Foreign Missions from the Standpoint of Art," by Dr. William Brenton Green; "The Carey Epoch of Missions," by Rev. D. L. Leonard; "The Mclanesian Mission," by Dr. Robert Steel; "Congregationalists and Missions," by Dr. Edward Storrow; "Cuba as a Mission Field," by W. J. Moman ; "The Protestant Movement in Mexico," by Eleanor P. Allen. The interest aroused by the recent outrages upon Missionaries in China renders peculiarly timely Dr. J. T. Gracey's exposition, in the International Department (edited by him), of the Causes of the Disturbauces in China," and of the Chinese Government's Relations to Christian Workers." The Monthly Concert of Missions, conducted this month by Dr. Gracey, reviews the work in South America and Central America.

The Editor-in-chief, Dr. Arthur T. Pierson, sailed for England October 15th, to fill the pulpit of Mr. Spurgeon andi the latter's recovery. Dr. Pierson will still have charge of The Review, and direct its management from London.

The subscription price is \$2 per annum, but we are prepared to furnish it to subscribers to the LINE at \$1.75.

A SISTER sends us one dollar to renew subscripton to the Lark, from Manganese Mines. We find no such P. O. in list of Causadian Post Office, and do not find it on our U. S. list. Will the sister let us know what is the P. O. and Province. Will any others who read this bear in mind always to give the full address. We often have to spend much time in searching post office guides.

ANNUAL REPORTS — We are sending with this issue a 12 page supplement containing the reports of the W. B. F. M. Sodety of Ontario.

MRS. DRAKE'S DEATH.

The death blow fell like a bolt out of a clear sky. four o'clock Sunday afternoon of Sept. 20th, I sat down to an early dinner with her and Mr. Drake. - At 4.30 Monday afternoon we were following her lifeless body to

the cold grave.

She had no regrets in her death. In the early stages of the attack she expressed a wish that she might be spared to serve the Lord longer here on earth, but her resignstion was perfect. Then her thought seemed to turn toward the dear home ones, and between the awful apasma, as she lay gasping for breath, she repeatedly said, "Father and Grace will be so sorry." Mr. Alexander and his daughter Grace had contemplated a visit to her in India this winter, and we all were looking forward to welcome them and Mrs. Drake to a protracted visit in our Canadian Mission. That expected visit seemed seldom absent from her mind, and occupied her last expressed thoughts. She had looked forward to it as a time in which to snatch a few months' rest. "I am so tired, so very tired," she said repeatedly, but never complainingly

Her life was a round of ceaseless activities. Owing to the continued illness of the Hadley's, she still felt the burden of her portion of the Telugu work at Perambur. The two caste girls' schools, and the teachers of some of the other schools, were still her special care. In the English church in Vepory, where Mr. Drake has been pastor since February last, she presided at the organ, drilled the choir for two services on Sunday, taught two Bible classes -one in the Sabbath school and one for young women some time in each week. She performed all the duties devolving on a paster's wife, in active visitation of the flock, in cheerful help to the poor and fallen (and the indigent Eurasians are numerous in Madras), and in ministering to the sick and sorrowing. At such a time as this, with cholera raging in all parts, and 279 dying in one week, such ministration was not light. Mr. Drake has been called to one, two, and even three, funerals a day for some days when the plague was at its worst during the last month, in his own congregation.

But her truly catholic spirit refused to confine her effort to the local church. She was an active worker in the W. C. T. U. of the city, in which she was for some time Vice-President, and had recently been honored with the Presidency in this week's programme of the Women's Mission Prayer Union; her part is left to

another.

She worked to the very end. At six o'clock Sabbath evening she was dismissing her class of lads in the Sunday school; at six Monday morning loving hands were closing her eyes in death. At six colock Monday night her worn body lay near the crumbled dust of Brother Waterbury, under the lengthoning shadows of the cocoa

nut palms in St. Andrew's Comotery

Her life was Christ-like in helpful kindness to others. She won the hearts of utter strangers in a moment by her cheery brightness. An English lady, lying sick in the next room of the hospital to Mrs. Laffamme's, and to whom Mrs. Drake had shown some little passing kindness, while visiting Mrs. Laflamme, wept bitterly on learning of her sudden death, and said sho "never could forget how kind that little lady was." We can never, never forget her, and so she lived that when she died she left to each who knew her the legacy of a heart memory rich in loving kindnesses.

A large procession of friends, English, Eurasian and natives, in carriages and on foot, and representing all

the evangelical missions in the city, and all classes and ranks in her division of the city, followed her body to the last resting place on earth. The Rev. Henry Rice, of the Old Rick of Scotland, conducted the service at the grave. All was solemn and impressive. More flunday owning a memorial service will be held in the Vepary Bartlat church. What can we say now but that "He giveth His beloved sleep.

H. F. LAPLANNE.

Vepery, Madras, Sept. 24th, 1891.

Address

By Mas. Booken, President of the W. B. F. Missionery Society of Onterio.

Dear Follow-workers, Again we are permitted to gather in our annual missionary meeting, and I trust the Lord has come up with us and that He will abide with His loving presence and spirit during every hour we remain together.

Many of you will remember that it was not without some fear and anxiety we undertook the enlargement of our work last October. But through the faithful efforts of many and a continual looking to our Father in heaven, with grateful hearts we acknowledge it has been a year of progress and prosperity.

The Circles and Bands have responded generously, so the increased burdens have been easily lifted, and we desire to thank you for all the help so cheerfully given.

The Board is absolutely dependent on you for the means of carrying out the plans formed at our annual meeting, and we hope every member will realize that her help is needed, in everything we undertake. Let us ever keep in mind that individual responsibility is needed in this as in all Christian work.

Through the influence of one noble Christian man-Lord Lawrence, the people of both India and England were brought to see that the best way to insure India's welfare was by educating its sons and daughters. As Viceroy, his opinion had great power in both countries, and though it required long and tedious years to bring it about, yet the result has been the establishing of girls' schools. At first the outlook was very dark, girls would not be allowed to go to school, and even if they had, a teacher (which must necessarily be a woman) was not available

Woman's Missionary Societies were not in existence in those days, and girls' schools seemed impossible. But at this very time the Lord was proparing the way, through means His people knew not of. A terrible famine visited India, thousands of people died and numbers of children were left orphans. Missionaries, feeling this to be God's opportunity, gathered them into schools and called upon the Christian people of England and America to support them. Thus Christians at home, influenced by missionaries abroad, united their efforts in the formation of Woman's Missionary Societies.

Soon after, dovoted Christian women came forward, and, with loving hearts and willing hands, gave them selves to a work no other agency could accomplish. From that time till the present girls have been gathered into both boarding and day schools by nearly all missionary eccieties; until now a large company of Christian women, trained and educated by our representatives in beathen lands, are working for Jeaus.

Many here to-day must acknowledge that the blessing did not all go with those we sent to India. How much help and inspiration have come into our own lives by working, giving and praying for the poor Hindoo women, as well as for those we have sent to teach them. Just here, I will read an extract from a recent letter from one of our lady missionaries, in which she speaks so beautifully of our young ladies:

"I think we all have great reason for thankfulness when it seems to me, with special glits for the work to which they have been called. Miss Hatch, with her deep spiritual experience and thorough consecration, to move in and out among the Seminary boys and give them a glimpse of what it means to have Christ dwelling in us. Miss Simpson, with her sympathetic nature and knowledge of disease, to go into the homes and win the women to a loving Saviour. Miss Baskerville, with her training, her love of children and her power of description, to train the girls for light-bearing and future usefulness. Miss Stovel, strong in body and spirit, to go from village to village, lifting the Christians above their careless, spathetic life into a holler, purer one and telling the glad news to the heathen. And Miss Rogers, strong, noble and posce-loving, ready for any work to which she may be called, and who, although she has not yet entered upon a regular appointed work, has filled her hands with the work at her door."

We will soon listen to reports from themselves, so I need not speak of them, further than to say, they are all happy in their work and rejoicing to see the Telugus believing in Jeous.

Some will be disappointed that a medical lady is not yet on her way to India. But the greater disappointment is to those over-burdened workers already on the fields, who, day after day, see and feel as we cannot, the needs in this direction, and upon whom the care of the sick rests so heavily. But you will be glad to know that a young lady of great promise is now fitting herself for this work, and we trust in two years from now will be on her way to India. There also seems to be opening up an opportunity for evangelistic work among the villages, that will require more young ladies. Hitherto they have only been engaged in school and zonana work, but Miss Stovel is showing us what a benefit it is to visit the women in their homes, and, both by precept and example, seek to lead them to purer and better living. In this way there is a great work to be done among the women in the churches, to say nothing of the large multitudes of heathen women still untaught. This is a work that can be done only by women, men cannot as a rule enter the homes, so to a woman's patient teaching is entrusted the heart-to-heart work of winning the women and children of India for Christ. When we have obeyed the Saviour by "teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you," there will be no fear for those who sit in darkness, they will surely see the light. Then let us each endeavor to use all our powers for our Master, as we have opportunity, and may His Spirit purify our hearts and make us fit for His service.

"The Master looks; He counts you o'er,
He notes you each to-day,
Who to His church are pledged to aid,
All willing women may.
Then, courage! though a heavy heart
Sometimes to work you bear,
Courage! though anxious and perplexed;
Ourrage! though small thy share,
Content to fill the lowest place,
And think of Jesus there."

THE WORK AT HOME.

News from the Circles.

TRUBEO, QUE.—Just a year ago our little Circle of seven members was formed by Mias Frith. Our membership has since increased to fifteen with prospects of more. Our Circle has perhaps the oldest member of any Circle in Canada. I refer to a lady ninety-four years of age. She lives too far away to attend the Circle meetings, but were it not for that, she is yet strong enough to be with us. As it is we have no member more interested in the work and from none do the fees come more promptly in. In addition to Foreign work a Home Mission Circle was formed last February. Both Societies meet at the same time and place, some members be longing to both Societies, others to only one. Our membership fees for Foreign Missions, during the year, are \$16.60. In June we held a public evening meeting, which was very well attended. A programme, consisting of music, readings, dialogues, etc., all bearing on missionary work, was rendered, and a collection of \$7.16 was taken, \$5 of which was voted to Madam Scott, who is laboring among the French Canadians in Montreal. Noxt year we hope to be able to report increased membership and contributions.

J. MAUL. METCALPE Sec.

Whittay.—The interest in mission work among the members of the Mission Band seems to be steadily increasing. On Friday evening last we held our regular mouthly meeting, when a large number of parents and others interested were present. After the business part of the meeting was over, quite a lengthy programme was rendered by the children, during which a collection amounting to \$3.50 was taken up. A letter from, and a photograph of, our student at Cocanada, has been quite helpful in stimulating the members to do more for the children in India. A class of boys in the Sunday school felt anxious to do something special, and so obtained a mission bee hive, and each Sunday their teacher takes up a collection for missions. The first quarter's collection added very materially to the missionary finances. Bertie Paxton heading the list with a goodly number of well carned pennies. Each member of the class is now working hard to increase the sum next quarter. During the last month, two other classes have adopted the same plan. We trust that blessed flospel truths may be instilled in these young hearts, and that some day they may be a mighty power for (iod in the spread of His Gospel). M. Ray.

WOLVERTON.—Annual meeting of Wolverton Poreign Mission Circle beld Oct. 7. New officers: Pres., Mrs. E.)
Pine (re-elected): Vice: Pres., Mrs. R. Fleming; Secy., Lizzie
L. Pine; Treas., Miss Janio Patten. Our meetings have
been interesting and pretty well attended during the past
year. We had wished for some time previous to last June
that we could undertake the support of a student if the
Samulcotta Seminary, but our membership is so small, it
seemed impossible. However, at the June meeting, the
eight disters present agreed to do their tumest to raise one
dollar each for this purpose by October. The Lord has
indeed shown us that the things which look so impossible to
us are quite possible to Him, and ways were made whereby
we have been able to earn not only the eight dollars pledged
but have nineteen to send to the Treasurer, for which we are
very glad indeed.

L. L. P.

ALOORQUIN.—The Mission Circle of this place held a very successful Thank-offering service on the evening of Wednesday, October 21st. The weather for some days had been very unfavorable and the night was dark, but the church was filled with a very attentive audience. After the opening exercises, the President read a paper on Missions (bearing more particularly on Grande Ligue), then the collection was taken up, and 29 envelopes were sent in, nearly all containing some

quotation from the Scriptures; the reading of these quotations by Mrs. Milks formed a very interesting part of the programme. We also had a reading by Mrs. Manhard, and a recitation by Mrs. Sirrell, and last, but not by any means least, the True Story of the Hindu Widow, recited by Miss Knowlton, of Chantry, with much pathes and power. The contents of envelopes and loose change amounted to \$17.35.

MRS. ANNIE L. SIRBELL.

GUELPH, SECOND CHUECH.—We held our annual entertainment on Sept. 11th. We had a very encouraging attendance of parents and friends, who listoned with great interest to a well selected programme, given by the children. Mr. Hill showed some very instructive views of India life, through the magic hantorn. But the most interesting feature of the evening was the opening of the barrels, which were found to contain \$13.63, asved by the children during the last six months. \$5.65 was taken at the door; making a total of \$19.24, which will more than support our student for one year.

OTTAWA.—At a regular monthly meeting of the "Cheerful Gloaners" Mission Band, held on Septomber 5th, 1891, the following resolution was manimously adopted "That we, the members of the "Cheerful Gleaners' Mission Band, wish to send our loving sympathy to the parents and friends of our dear follow-worker, Rath L. Parson, who "entered into rest' on June 28th. For six years she labored so earnestly among us, and her loving words and untring zeal for the cause of missions will long be remembered here. We pray that all the members of this Band may follow her example in giving their youth to the Saviour and His work."

New Circles.

SAULT STE. MARIE. - The "Little Holpers" Mission Bandwas organized Sept. 28th, with thirteen names on the roll. Pres., Mrs. G. C. Chandler; Vice Pres., Master P. IVValworth; Sec., Miss Edith Dawson: Treas., Miss M. A. Reid. V. M. TAYLOR.

WOODSTOCK.—Home and Foreign Mission Circle organized in Oxford Street church, October 6th, 1891, with 11 members. Officers:—President, Mrs. Tapecott: Vice-President, Mrs. Brown; Secretary, Mrs. S. M. Withrow: Treasurer, Mrs. Bell.

Moore Centre.—A Foreign Mission Circle organized in connection with the Haptist church, June 17th, 1891. We have only six lady members in the church and they all joined the Circle, and we have the promise of one more. We named our Circle "The Moore Centre Baptist Mission Circle." Though our number is small, we trust with God's blessing, to accomplieb something for the Master. He. who when on earth, dispised not the widow's mite, will accept our humble efforts to further the bounds of His kingdom on earth and the glory of His name.

MBA. WM. BLAKE.

WOMAN'S BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ONTARIO.

Receipts from Sept. 18th to Oct. 10th, 1891, inclusive.
St. Catharines (Lyman Street), M. C., \$1.50; Collingwood M. C., \$1; Wingham M. C., \$6.44; do. M. B., \$6.33; Listowel M. B., \$3.45; Hagersville M. C., \$2; do. M. B., \$1; Pine Grove M. C., \$6; South London M. C., \$11; Union Meeting of London Circles, \$4.05; Beambville M. C., \$4.50;

Toronto (Sheridan Ave.) M. C , \$6; Beachville M. C , \$2.02; Toronto (Shoridan Ave.) M. C. 86; Boschville M. C. \$2.02; New Sarum M. C., 83.30; Aylmer M. C., \$30.60; Calton M. C., \$24; Mount Forest M. C., \$4.68; Atwood M. C., \$9.30; St. Catharines (Lyman Street Young Women's Missonary Society, for Hannah, a Bible woman, \$0; St. Catharines (Queen Street) M. C., \$16.65; Forest M. C., \$2.50; Blytheswood M. C., \$4; Bloomaburg M. C., \$8; Toronto (Immanuel church) M. C., \$17.80; do., M. B., for "D. Susi," \$3; Toronto (Jarvis Street) M. B., \$6; Calvary M. C., \$8; Tilsonburg Young Ladles' M. C., \$5; Toronto (Ossington Ave.) M. C., \$7.92; Atwood M. B., \$2; Hartford M. B., 60° "Pulvarti Daniel," \$3; Paris M. C., \$4.014; Paris M. B., for "Kaukipudi Kondaza," \$2; Acton M. C., \$6.50; Woodslee M. C., \$2; Plattaville M. C., \$5; Belleville M. C., \$18, (of which \$5 is a special contribution towards Miss Mac-\$18, (of which \$5 is a special contribution towards Miss Macols A medical education; Hamilton (Joures Briest) M. C., 822.80; West Toronto Junction M. C., \$3.05; Villa Nova M. C., \$22.80; West Toronto Junction M. C., \$3.05; Villa Nova M. C., \$22.80; West Toronto Junction M. C., \$3.05; Villa Nova Street) M. C., \$22.80; West Toronto Junction M. C., \$22. for Miss P. Boggs, \$1, \$23; Oshawa M. C., \$1; Alies Craig M. C., \$13; Hsm titon (Vilcotria Are.) M. C., \$8.20; Roston M. B., 60 "W. Esudas," \$8; Parry Sound M. B., \$2; Toronto (First Ave.) M. C., \$3; Osbles M. C., \$11.31; Hartford M. C., \$13; Mr. E. Southworth, Thedford, \$1; Mrs. E. Southworth, Thedford, \$1, Mrs. E. Southworth, Thedford, \$1; Mrs. E. Southwo donald's medical education); Hamilton (James Street) M. C., \$2.50; Toronto (Ossington Ave.) M. B., \$1.93; Toronto (Doverout Road) M. C., \$12; Toronto (Jarvis St.) M. C., \$70.92; Dixie M. B., for "Epuria Joseph," \$17; Lindsay M. C., \$8; Gilmour Memorial church M. C., \$16 (of which \$5.54) C., \$8; Ollmour Memorial courten M. C., \$10 for winen co.os-are the proceeds of a Children's Mission Partyl; Gilmour Memorial church M. B., for "Lydia,, '\$19.30; Fencion Falls M. C., \$15; Daywood M. C., \$9; Teeswater M. C., 60c.; Teeswater M. B., for "M. Peeramma," \$3.58; Glammis M. B., \$2.75; Lifk dividend, per Mrs. Newman, \$35.49; Edmonton M. C., \$5; Colchester M. C., \$6; Toronto (Tecum seth St.) M. C., \$5; Toronto (Lansdowne Ave.) M. C., \$6.90; seth St.) m. C., \$9; loronco (Lansdowne Ave.) ml. C., \$0.30; Cobourg M. C., \$2.50; Boston M. C., \$35; Brooklin M. C., \$4; Brooklin, "Nine Little Workers," \$1; South London M. B., for "Pamu David," \$17; Collingwood M. B., \$4; Toronto (Walmer Road) M. C., \$15,75; Unbridge M. C., \$6.50; London (Adelaide St.) Junior M. B., \$10, Young People's M. R., \$4, for "Thulu Mary," \$14: Lakefield M. C., \$12.60; Brantford (First church) M. C., \$25; South Arthur M. C., \$0.16, 6f which \$1! 1! was given by the children of Mrs. J. Ed. (of which \$1.11 was given by the children of Mrs. J. Edwards and Mrs. Wm. Hodgson); Wyoming M. C., \$6.02; Wyoming M. B., for "Kommuguri Samson," \$1.78; Burtch Wyoning in D., for "commigure Sanson, 51.0; Bureau, M. C., \$10; Ridgetewn M. C., \$4.50; Bayham M. B., for "Geddam Tirupatayya," \$3; Galt M. C., \$8.40; Guelph (Scoond church) M. C., \$15; Fort Höpe M. C., \$18; St. Thomas M. B., \$16.95, Sunday school, \$3.05, for "Bellum Thomas," \$25; Waterford M. B., Life Membership fee, \$10. Belfountain M. B., \$1; Hamilton (Lock St.) M. B., \$1; Toronto (Bloor St.) M. C. \$31.43; Baptist Women's Temper ance Union, McMaster Hall, per Mrs. Jones, 82; Courtright M. C., \$8.20; Courtright, Mrs. Robillard's S. S., \$1.09; Mary, Lizzie and Sammie's mission box, 36c.; Lendon (Adelaide 8t.) M. C., \$12.26; St. Thomas (Centre St.) M. C., \$25. Thank-offering, \$15, \$40; Grimsby M. C., \$5; Wilkes-\$1.50; Lishia oldering, \$10; A. C., \$11.50, M.B., \$1.50; Choltenham M. B., \$5; Westover M. B., \$7; Dundas M. C., \$8.15, M. B., \$2; Port Perry M. C., \$3.49, M. B., \$70.; "From one who has been praying for a lady medical

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missionary," towards Miss Macdonald's medical education, \$25; Sparta M. C., \$9; Paisley M. C., \$4.50; Guelph (First church) M. C., \$14; Thorold M. C., \$5: Chaltenham M. C., \$9.30; Sarnis M. C., \$16; Malahide and Bayham M. C., \$7.76; Burford M. C., \$1; East Flamboro' M. C., \$6, Thank offering \$6, \$12; Brantford (First church) M. C., to make Mrs. A. Popplewell a Life Member, \$29, M. B., \$33; Brooko M. C., \$12.27, Children's mite boxes, \$1.03; Strathroy M. C., \$15.75; St. Marys M. C., \$2.05; Park Hill M. C., \$3; St. Marys M. B., for "Martha Nokku," \$17; First Onondaga M. C., \$15; Claremont M. C., \$13; Stouffelle M. C., \$4.45; Dee Lake M. C., \$5.45; Unbridge M. B., for "M. Karnama," \$8.50; Toronto (Sheridan Ave.) M. B., \$1.18; "Two in Toronto (Sackville St.) M. B., for "K. Anna," Akidu, \$6.33 Total, \$1,586.49.

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From October 11th to October 17th, 1891, Inclusive.

Brant Association—2nd Onondaga M. C., \$2. Hamilton Association—Wentworth Street M. C., \$4. Middless and Lambton Association—Donfield M. B., \$4.50; Forest M. B., \$3; Wyoming M. B., for "Komoguri Bamson," \$5.60. Nor folk Association—Eden M. C., \$4. Toranto Association—First Ave. M. C., \$8.35; Bloor Street M. B., Girls', \$17. do., Boys, \$18, \$35 (for "Solomon.") Walkerton Association—Harriston M. C., \$5. Western Association—Chatham M.B., \$4; Leasmington M. B., \$10; Ridgetown M. B., \$12; do., Class No. 3, Boys, \$6 (for "T. Yesudesu.") \$17. Wood, stock Association—Scotland M. C., for "T. Marion," teacher at Arida school, \$10: Life membership for Miss Kate Marquis, \$25—\$35; Tilsonburg M. C., \$5; Ingersoll M. C., \$8.39; Beachville M. B., \$5; Mente Mission Box, \$2. Total; \$157.84.

VIOLET ELLIOT,
Treasurer.

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Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Eastern Ontario and Quebec.

Report of the Annual Meeting held in Brockville, Oct. 8th.

The annual meeting of this Society was held on Thursday October 9th, in the Baptist church, Brockville, Ontario, upon invitation from the Circle there. Delegates were present from 16 other Circles to the number of about 50. Morning and afternoon sessions were held, presided over by the President of the Society, Mrs.T. J. Claxton. After the usual opening exercises, Mrs. Vaux in a few well chosen sentences gave the address of welcome. Mrs. Claxton responded and made touching reference to the recent death of Mrs. Drake at Madras. At a later stage of the proceedings, upon motion, a resolution of condolence with our beloved brother, Rev. Jno. Alexander and family was unanimously passed. The minutes of last annual meeting were read, followed by the treasurer's report, which showed that the Circles had raised \$1600.55, an increase on the previous year of \$119. The expenditure was \$1210, leaving a balance on hand of 3390. A motion to change the Constitution was cert brought up, and after considerable discussion, Mrs. Claxton, Mrs. Ayer, Mrs. McLaren, Mrs. Bentley and Mrs. Macdonnell, of Montreal were, appointed, a committee to rovise the Constitution and report at next annual meeting. A committee was also appointed to confer with the Ontario and Maritime Province Societies regarding concert exercises for Mission Bands, and if possible to arrange for the supply of this long felt want by the publication of such in the Link. The unavoidable absence of Mrs. Radford, Secretary of Bands, was regretted by all.

At the afternoon session Mrs. Bentley, in the absence of Miss Green, read the Corresponding Secretary's report which showed good work done, and increasing interest in the majority of Circles. The Associational reports were also read and approved of. Indian letters from Mrs. Green side, Mr. Craig, Miss Gibson and our Missionary, Miss Simpson, proved of great interest and encouragement. We were privileged to have with us Mrs. Newman, of Toronto, who brought greetings from the Western Board. Her address on behalf of the Link, will, we trust, add greatly to its circulation, and to the furtherance of mission work through its influence.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1891 92.

Girl's School, Akidu	\$ 350	00
Girl's School, Tuni, \$190, to be increased to	225	00
Sumulcotta Seminary,	150	00
Zenana Workers	250	00
Miss Simpson (half year's salary).	250	00
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In addition to this the Society hopes to do something towards supporting a medical missionary The following officers were their unanimously elected "President, Mrs. T. J. Claxton; Vice Presidents, Mrs. Upham, Mrs. Therrien, Mrs. Fulton; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Upham, Mrs. Corresponding Secretary, Miss Green; Treasurer, Mrs. F. B. Smith; Secretary of Bands, Mrs. Redford; Executive Board, Mesdames G. B. Muir, Tester, Ayer, McKergow, Macdonnell, McLaren, Whitham, Scott, Porteous and Misses Payne, Boa, Clark and Cramp.

At the close of the afternoon session tea was provided for the delegates, to which the officers of the local Methodist and Presbyterian Societies were also invited. The excellent repeat and the pleasant social intercourse were

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enjoyed by all.

A public missionary meeting was held in the evening, at which representatives from all other churches in town were present, and the building was crowded to the door.

Excellent addresses were given by Mrs. Newman, on "Women's Work in Foreign Missions," Mrs. Halket, of Ottawa (Sister Belle), on "Growth," Mrs. Upham, of Montreal, on "A Day with the Missionary," while Mrs. Parsons, of Ottawa, pleaded the cause of Home Missions. A recitation entitled "A Hindu Widow's True Story," was given by Mrs. Grigg, of Perth, solos by Mrs. August Mrs. Gross, and Mr. Geo. Smart, and quartettes were well rendered at intervals. The missionary offering amounted to \$40 and thus was brought to a close one of the most successful missionary gatherings ever held in this district. It will long be remembered by all who were privileged to be present, and we trust it will result in a large increase of missionary zeal and effort.

[The Editor greatly enjoyed her visit to the East, and highly appreciated the opportunity to form the acquaintance of the earnest, able women of Eastern Ontario and Quebec, who are laboring zealously for the cause of missions. The meeting was a most excellent one.]

NOUTH AFRICA.—Mr. Spencer Walton, writing from Capel worm says, "We are seeing increased blessing all round. Wonderful indeed are the open doors and the thrist for the simple Gospel. I have had large gatherings of Dutch farmers and others to address, and hope to visit the gold fields shortly with Rev. Andrew Murray.

OTTAWA ASSOCIATION .- Women's work for women is the key-note of our Circles. It was the missionaries seeing the destitution of the women of India that suggested the organization of our Societies: and in this we feel to thank God that He has counted us worthy to be co-workers with our Lord Jesus Christ. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoseever believeth on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Shall we not "honor the Lord with our substance and the first fruits of our increase. To those who have experienced the peace which passeth all understanding, it is a fearful thought that myriads are marching to destruction without having heard that Christ died to save them. When we read such figures as these, two hundred and fifty millions of women depend for the gospel on the women of the Protestant churches of America, they appal us. Our lives seem so short, our work so contracted, before such gigantic necessities, but for such promises as these, "Insamuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me," we would grow weary in the attempt, forgetting that our work, though small, is twofold. are winning the world for Christ; and the influence it is having on our own Christian characters. I will read a few extracts from the reports of Circles:

lst. It is a strength to our souls to have the privilege to report to you once more. Pray for us, that every member may become a lively, unquenched worker for the ad-

vancing of God's gospel.

Another—We desire to express our hearty sympathy with our sister Circles in the work for which we were all organized; and our gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the honor He has conferred on us in permitting us to be helpers in this great work.

From another.—It is a glorious work. It gives us definite work to do for Jesus. Thinking of others in distress, and helping them, takes one out of self, and brings us into living sympathy with others. Let us seek to get into closer fellowship with Jesus, and we will then work

with renewed energy, earnestness and zeal.

There are twenty-nine churches in the Ottawa Association. In nineteen of these there are mission Circles.

From seventeen we have recoived reports. Three from

whom reports were received last year, did not report this year.

Buckingham, Dominionville and Kenmore reported \$11 in church letter at the Association. We have reports from eight Circles that did not report last year, Cornwall, Grenville, Papineauville, Roxborough, S. Gower, Thurso, Vankleek Hill, and St. Amidee. The aggregate of membership is 456. Total amount received, \$456.38.

MRS. D. McLAURIN, Director.

Second Annual Report of W. B. F. M. Circles of Eastern Association.

Dear Sisters,—In submitting this our second ennual report as an Association, we have mingled feelings of sorrow and of joy. Sorrow, that so little has been done when there is so-much to do, sorrow, that our numbers are so few, our strength, both physically and financially, so small; but we repione for the little we have been permitted to do, for the strength and the means we have been provided with, and the desire to do this little for the promotion of the Master's work in the foreign field. We trust it will be our aim in the coming year to work more

zealously, to pray more earnestly, and give more liberally, that at last the Master may say of us, as He said of one of old, "She hath done what she could,"

A condensed report of the different Circles of this Association are as follows:

Quebec—This Circle was organized in the fall of 1888, with a membership of twenty. Since then the number increased to twenty-seven, but owing to removals and other causes, now reduced to the original number. Meetings held regularly once in two weeks, except during the summer monts, when the majority of members leave the oity. The membership fee is ten cents a month. During the three years, have supported a native student at the Samulcotta Seminary, and have raised for the various Home and Foreign Missions, a little over \$300. Have much encouragement in the work, and feel that in helping others, they themselves are greatly blessed.

Magog—Reports no meetings held during the past year. Their fifteen members being scattered over a district eighteen miles in extent, render it impossible to maintain regular meetings. \$20 were contributed the past year. Although their numbers are few, they have an earnest desire to help in the great work, and to be of some use in the Master's cause.

Barneton—This Circle has not held regular meetings during the year, as the home duties of the President has detained her from meeting with them. Have held a few Missionary prayer meetings, after which have always felt refreshed and strengthened. Have a few earnest Christian workers who show their loyalty to the Master, by doing what they can for His cause. But some when invited to come to a Missionary meeting, "begin with one consent to make excuse." Let us pray that the time may spon come when we shall all take heed to the words of Christ when He said. "Soek ye first the kingdom of Christ and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." Money raised, 312.

Coaticooke—This Circle has met every month during the year, except two, with a good interest manifested Are mourning the less of two dear sisters from their midst. Amount contributed during the year: Ladies F. M. Circle, \$20.00; Home M. Endowment Fund, \$3.00; Grande Ligne Box, valued \$17.00; Ladies H. M. Circle, \$12.00; Ladies A. B. Lorimer Fund, \$11.46; Mrs. Humphrey's S. S. Class, pledged to Lorimer Fund,

\$12.00; Total, \$81.45.

Sherbrooke—Circle reports very little in the way of progress that is encouraging, the past year having been one of conflict and trial in various ways, which it will be wiser not to enumerate here. Have held meetings regularly since the beginning of the year. Have some one to collect each month, and find more money can be raised in this way than any other. Membership eleven, and have contributed \$10.00.

Montreal—Olivet Mission Circle is pleased to report a certain amount of success attending the year's work. Have been permitted to do the work that has come to them regularly and steadily. Meetings have been held uninterruptedly, and been well sustained and interesting. Valuable papers have been read, and good addresses given by Isdies of the city churches and abroad. The Treasurer has received \$103.60 for the year, including \$22.80, the result of a "Thank Offering" service. The circulation of the Lark has received a decided impetus, through the energy of one member, who raised the subscribers list from 25 to 70.

Abbotts Corner-This Circle reports sixteen members,

with \$16 sent to Treasurer during the year. Meetings held regularly, and fairly well attended, although the membership is widely scattered. During the last year a general effort was made, not confined to the Circle, in which \$46.00, besides a considerable amount of bedding was raised for Grande Ligne Mission, also have an Abbotts Corner Room in the Institute. Are now giving the mite box system a trial, contents to be devoted to the Lorimer Fund.

Bawyerville—Oirole has held meetings every month, with one or two exceptions during the year, with an average attendance of eight or ten members. This, in common with other country Ciroles, has a scattered membership. Have had a few additions to list of members the past year. Amount coutributed during the year, \$30. In addition to this have pledged themselves to do what they can for the Lorimer Fund.

Beebs Plain—Reports no meetings of the Circle kept up the past year. Amount contributed, \$13.00.

Dixville—The Circle in connection with this church have held their meetings regularly the past year, the ladies going from bouse to house among their members, and paying ten cents for their tea. The gentlemen are also invited, provided they comply with the rule, to pay for their supper. This Circle combines both Home and Foreign Mission work, and are also doing what they can for the Lorimer Fund. It is with sorrow they record the death of one dear sister, Mrs. Ezra Baldwin, from their midst. They sent away last October \$31.82, and have \$10 now in the treasury.

Montreal, First Baptist Church—Woman's F. M. Circle. Meetings have been held in the evenings at the homes of various members of the society, with an attendance of from thirty-five to fifty ladies and gentlemenwhich are also invited—the latter contributing excellent papers on noted missionaries. The young people are being more interested in the work, and a deeper anxiety felt by all to do more to help and encourage our brave missionaries on the foreign field.

Mansorwill—This is the youngest of our Circle family, being formed during the past year. It only numbers four members as yet, but hope to increase their numbers the coming year. Have raised \$2.00, also have envelopes out for the Lorimer Fund, and are making a quilt to sell for the same purpose.

Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Eastern Ontario and Quebec.

Treasurer's Report for the year ending October 10th, 1881.

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Acting on behalf of Society.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT.

Attention, Mission Bands!

As a committee has been appointed to arrange some system of regular lessons for our Canadian Mission Bands, we want you all to help us in this work. Will your President, Secretary or Leader write to me without delay, telling the kind of lessons your Band needs? or offering any suggestions whereby our committee can help your particular Band. We hope to receive answers from every Mission Band in the Dominion of Canada before 1891 is .

Address all your letters to Mrs. Halkett, 347 McLaren

Street, Ottawa.

Cocanada Girls' Boarding School

List showing results of examination held in July, 1891.

V STANDARD.

Name of Student.

Supported By

Morampudi Cassie (chinna), Owen Sound Band. Mandapate Karunamma, Uxbridge Band.

IV STANDARD.

Vinakoti Ruth, Port Hope Band. Vara Mary, Glammis Band. Thulurn Mary (podda), Beamsville Band, came from Suni in July, 1890. Pendurti Satyavedamma, Sarah J. Starr, Newmarket.

III STANDARD.

Pitala Lydia, "Busy Bee" Mission Band, Guelph. Karra Nukamma, Mary A. Starr, Newmarket. Morampudi Mary, 1st Houghton. Nokku Mary, St. Mary's Band. (indise Esther, Thurse, Que. Palli Visamma (chinna), Misses Kennedy, Brandon.

II STANDARD.

Mortha Achemma, Bethel Band, King. Thulurn Mary (chinna), Junior M. B. Adedaide St. Church, London. Nalli Karunamma, Isabel E. Starr, Newmarket. Nalli Sarah (Lillie Grimsby), Grimsby Memorial Band. Satyala Mary, Norwich Band. Sampara Sundramma.

I STANDARD.

Selam Sarah, Mrs. Brown, Bloor St., Toronto. Battpla Sundramma. Sadhi Annapurnamma, Two Marys, Toronto. Tute Viramma. Talla Saramma, 1st Brantford Band. Palli Viramma (pedda). Netotala Dora, Miss Hatch. Jami Appalamma, Miss Simpson. Kolla Karunamma, Y. P. A. Tecumsch St., Toronto. Nakka Kate. Ballikuri Mary, Anna L. Starr, Newmarket.

INPANT STANDARD.

Peyyala Subudramma. Salla Bapanamma. Kondabattula Deva Karunamma. (lali Dosalamma. Nalli Pulmanamma Matsa Sundramma, Cheltenham Young Ladies' M. B.

PASSED CANDIDATES.

From Infant to I Standard, boys 1, girls 11; total 12.

I Standard to II Standard, boys 3, girls 3; total 6.

II Standard to III Standard, boys 0, girls 5; total 5.

III Standard to IV Standard, boys 2, girls 4; total 6.
IV Standard to V Standard, boys 0, girls 2; total 2. Passed V Standard Examination, boys 0, girls 1; total 1.

Note. - Mary and Ruth returned to Akidu, and Anna and Ratnavati came in their places in January. Satyavedamma remained until summer vacation. Ratnavati did not return with Anna when the holidays were over. At present Katraggadda Anna, of Akidu, and Sampara Lydia, who works in the afternoon with Miss Simpson, are taking the Bible lessons of the advanced class. Elpe Ruth, who passed the V Standard examination, Cassie and Karunamma, of the V Standard, and Dukka Lydia, of Suni, are studying for the Primary School examination, the lowest for teachers recognized by Government.

Batsala Lydia was married Dec. 31st, 1890, Sanasi Leah was married March 30th, 1891, Pulavarti Mary was married after her return to Akidu, Subbamma was married April 30th, 1801. Of three others whose names do not appear in this list, Singaturi Hope went to the Northern Mission with her sister, Mahalutchmi. Gudise Esther and Vara Martha have not returned. Many of the names were spelt incorrectly in the last printed list, owing, I presume, to the strangeness of the Hindu words. I have tried to write very legibly this time, and hope Bands and Circles will once more find the names of their students.

Mission Band Report for Ontario.

It is much easier to do a work than to give an account of it afterwards. It is much easier to correspond with the young mission workers than to convey to others the manner of it. If all the interesting letters and conversations could be reported, this Convention might have some idea of the feeling entertained by our juveniles towards Christian work

Some Bands work quietly and [steadily, with a definite purpose, and well-sustained interest, giving an almost uni-form offering year after year, but with others the interest seems to fluctuate. In some cases there will be a rush of or maybe the fervor lasts a year or two, then evaporates or maybe the fervor lasts a year or two, then evaporates leaving a student unsupported at college, who had probably been given to understand that some people in Canada were noting his or her career. But the greater number, even though the interest ebbs and flows, keep steadily onward, taking advantage of seasons of elevation, and bearing up cheerfully under difficulties. The question has been asked, "How small an average attendance justifies the leader in allowing a Band to die?" If there are two or three it should be allowed to live, for that which is dead cannot grow. Our year has been very encouraging for the Home Society, though the Bands have not raised the whole amount for Mr. Grenier's salary. We did not expect they would, as that would be to more than double any previous years' offering, so we are mot disappointed, but inclined to give them praise for the amount of \$400.53, and tell them that our expectations are greater now. In addition to this, the Indian work has been remembered by two Bands to the extent of \$10. This is not much, but it is the first for this purpose.

The three Bands reported last year as having agreed to

turnish rooms at Grande Ligne school, have fulfilled their promise, and two others have partially done so. Two have been honored with Band life-membership, one in each So-

ciety, and both by the Waterford Band.

The Foreign work has suffered a decrease in the Band department, as to the offerings, but not as to the number engaged. Ninety five Bands have contributed this year, as against eighty-one last, but the total given is about \$40 less. This is very disappointing, for we always expect an increase, and the number of Bands being greater than ever before, the monetary result should have been in proportion. It is some-times profitable to be brought face to face with our shortcomings, as would be the case were the thought of this lost forty dollars to bury itself like a good seed in the heart of every Band worker, and spring up, bearing fruit one hundredfold. Of the eighty-three Samulcotta students, twenty-nine are supported by Bands, twelve by Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, twenty-seven by individuals, Circles

and Societies, leaving fifteen unadopted.

Of the thirty-five Cocanada girls, nineteen of our Bands, one Quebeo Band and ten individuals, are responsible, each

for one, and five are unappropriated.

One hundred and eleven Bands-twenty-two of them new ones-report this year, while six have sent no account of themselves. The number of members last year was 8,217; this year it is 3,274. The total amount raised is \$1,730.63. Our Home Treasurer has received of this \$471.73, of which \$400.53 is towards the salary of our missionary in Queboc City, whom the children call their missionary.

As already intimated, the amount given to Foreign Mis-sions is less than last year's, being \$1,211.67 this year, and \$1,250 last year. The totals reported by the Secretaries and those of our Treasurers do not agree. The difference is preannably made up of balances, still in the hands of Band

Treasurers.

The Banner Bands of each Association are as follows.

	Per k	lomi	ber
Heant-Brantford 1st,	orage	\$2	83
Whitby and Lindsay - Lindsay		2	35
Norfolk-Waterford		1	58
l'eterboro'Lakefield		- 1	40
Niagara-Lyman Street, St. Catharines		I	25
Middlesex and Lambton—London South		ı	13
Toronto-Dixie		- 1	13
Western-Leamington			90
Elgin-Malahide and Bayham			82
Northern—Collingwood	**		73
Woodstock Gobles			70
Walkerton—Tecawater	**		64
Midland Counties—Brampton	**		60

HATTIR E. WEST.

Report of Secretary of Mission Bands for Eastern Opt. and Que.

The Mission Band report for the past year is very incomplete, as your Superintendent cannot lay claim to having per-formed the duties of her office since the earlier part of the year. She has, however, in all cases, when appealed to for advice or help, given such aid as was within her power, and sent literature where it was likely to be useful.

Few of the Mission Bands have reported to date: those which have done so show marked progress, and are evidently doing good work. Several Bands have been organized this year—one in connection with Concession Street Baptist church, Ottawa, and another has been organized at Olivet Haptist church, Montreal. Eaton Mission Sand held its fourth annual meeting on the fourth inst., and rejoiced in having been able to adopt Jomima Pantakain, at present a pupil at Akida.

Your Superintendent rejoiced over the receipt of a very

concise report, in the form of a copy of the balance sheet of the Girls' Mission Band of the Brockville Baptist church, and would be glad if every Mission Band Secretary would do the same, as it would save much time and be most satisfactory. The amount collected and expended was \$35.64.

The Mission Band of the First Baptist church, Montreal,

has a roll of forty girls and thirty-five boys, with an average attendance of thirty three. The Band is divided into graded classes, for alternate instruction in Missions and scientific temperance. Text-books and blackboard are used, and the members pass an examination in these subjects at the close of the session. The proceeds of a concert, given by the mem-bers of the Band, together with fees and collections, amounted to \$63.13; expended in current expenses, literature, and the adoption of two pupils in India

Your Superintendent cannot close this meagre report without offering a few suggestions for consideration, and an appeal to all to consider the responsibility resting upon each, collectively and individually, to train up the young in the

way they should go.
In forming a Mission Band, the first step is to clearly define and decide what its object shall be. Shall it be simply a money-making centre, or shall it be an educational one-a sowing ground for the seeds of knowledge, love, faith, patient labor and sacrifice! The object being clearly understood, the next point will be to systematisize the mode of work, appointing the lessons to be given during the session and arrange the staff of teachers. It is unnecessary to enter into details of officers to be elected, etc.

The plan of work swhich suggests itself to your Superintendent's mind as best, is for the denomination to accept uniform mission lessons for the entire year, so that all Baptist mission Bands would be studying the same field at once, and examination papers could be prepared by a committee appointed for the purpose, and issued to any Bands desiring them. These, having been filled up, should be returned to the committee, who would correct them and give certificates in order of merit. This, of course, means work, but, has any great end ever been attained without it? It cannot be considered creditable when a Baptist young lady asks, "Who were Marshman and Carey ?

It would be best to inculcate in the young that they should earn the money they give by the regular performance of some duty, pleasant or otherwise, and parents should stimulate and encourage them to give only that which is their own. Time will not permit to reference to the many excellent qualities fostered by this mode of training, a few only can be cited—honesty, giving their own, industry, perseverance, patience, sympathy, love, the love of Christ constraining them. Another important factor in the education of the young to things spiritual as well as secular, is regularity in

attendance. Parents and guardians should insist upon this, both in fairness to the teacher and the taught.

Another point upon which your Superintendent cannot lay too much stress, is the importance of reaching and holding the boys. Graded classes have been found helpful to this end—as lads of a certain age do not like to be classed with very young boys-and physical drill has been also found attractive; and, when they have been induced to attend the meetings, the opportunity is given to lead them to Jesus, and to a love for His cause. Foreign Missions should share and not monopolize the funds collected, as our North West and country places are many of them barren of spiritual life. There are many phases of the work, which, had time permitted, should have received mention; but one, because of its vast importance, cannot be emitted, that is the circulation of missionary literature. It is read not by the member only, but reaches the household, and who dare say how far its influence reaches or whether it shall ever end?

In closing this report, your Superintendent would convey to all the dear sisters present, the great disappointment it has been to her not to have met them at this time, and to have looked into their faces while speaking on that which is second to no branch of the Master's work, whose command was to His people, "Feed my Lambs." Dare any neglect to obey

this command ?

Respectfully submitted,

JANE RADFORD.

Supt. Raptist Mission Bands.

10 Park Avenue, Montreal.

W. B. M. U.

Edited by Miss A. E. Johnstone.

"Be not weary in well-doing for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

PRAYER TOPIC FOR NOVEMBER.—That the workers both at home and in foreign fields may realize as never before our great need of the power of the Holy Spirit, and that in answer to believing prayer (Luke xi: 9-13) He may descend upon us all.

CHANGED INTO THE SAME IMAGE.

(2 Cor. 111: 18. Rom. viii: 28-39.)

Far off, in a distant quarry, Lay a block of marble rare, Rough hewn, and by man unnoticed, It had lain neglected there.

At length came the great, good Master, He knew its intrinsic worth;
"This marble," He murmared, gently, "Shall witness for Me on earth.

Then day after day unheeded For none understood His skill, He worked on that shapeless marble The plan of His wondrous will.

With instrument keen and varied, He sculptured it hour by hour, Till slowly its pure white lustre Regan to attest His power.

It grew into human likeness, À man in his best estate ; Then all, as they saw it, marvelled, And owned that the work was " great."

But the time passed-on, and the Soulptor Continued His work so fair; Then men saw, with speechless wonder, The Master's own image there!

And liker it grew, and liker, As stroke after stroke was given, Till earth whispered, grave and awe struck, " Made meet for the courts of heaven !

CHARLOTTE MURRAY.

We would call the special attention of our sisters to our prayer topic for this month. These monthly subjects for prayer, are meant not only for the Aid Society meeting, but for every individual member of our Union. Let every sister urge this petition daily during November, and the answer is sure to come. It would be well that a few moments be set spart specially for this. "Enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father," is our Lord's command. Dr. A. J. Gordon, in his remarkable book, "The Twofold Life," is full of testimonies to the power of prayer. Let us hear him tell of David Brainerd: "Brainerd had many seasons of this uncommon renewing of his spiritual life through prayer and fasting; and in summing them up, President Ed-wards records this noteworthy conclusion: 'Among all the many days he spent in secret prayer and fasting, of which he gives an account in his diary, there is scarcely an instance of one which was not eitl or attended or soon followed with apparent success, and a remarkable blessing in special influences and consolictions of God's Spirit, and very often before the day was ended."-Missionary Reviero.

A FEW MORE ECHOES FROM OUR ANNUAL MEETING.

Mission Bands and their work were assigned a more prominent place than before. Reports from them were read, and the following resolutions passed unanimously:

lst. That Mission Bands be requested to send their monies to the Treasurer of the W. B. M. U. 2nd. That the Treasurer be requested to assign objects

for support by the Mission Bands.

The following resolution was passed unanimously, and a copy ordered to be sent to the Link and Messenger and Visitor:

"Whereas, this Union had not taken up the work of Home Missions when the Constitution was formed, and therefore no provision was made for Life Membership with regard to Home Missions, Therefore, resolved, that in future the payment of twenty-five dollars at any time, for either Home or Foreign Missions, shall constitute a Life Member of this Union.

The report of the committee on Miss Crany's History of the Union was accepted. The committee expressed the opinion that before the History was published it would be necessary to add a few facts with regard to the formation of the Union, and recommended that the Corresponding Secretary be associated with Mrs. M. W. Williams in this matter, and also that the resolutions regarding Mrs. Selden and Mrs. Parsons be added.

Mrs. Emmerson, of N. B., Mrs. Botsford Smith, and Mrs. J. F. Kompton were appointed a committee to prepare a formula regarding examination papers for outgoing lady missionaries.

LETTERS TO OUR MISSION BANDS.-No. 11.

Dear Young Friends,—I promised you last month to the you something of what our W. B. M. U. is doing for Home Missions. Once when our Lord had healed a man possessed with an unclean spirit, He sent him away with this message, "Go home to thy friends and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee," and ever since He has bidden us to tell the story of His love to those in our home-land as well as in countries far away.

So we have pledged ourselves this year to raise for Home Missions \$1,500. Of this sum we will give our own Home Mission Board \$750; Grande Ligne, \$150, and

the North-West, \$600.

Now, boys and girls, how are you going to help in this part of the work? Mr. Cohoon says in his report that in order to help build churches in our provinces, he had asked the Sunday schools to observe the second Sunday in June as "Church Edifice Day," and to take collections for that fund. Some schools responded, but not all.

Now, what you want to do is to talk this matter up among yourselves-talk it up with your fathers and mothers, and see how much you can do. By the time this letter reaches you, you will be beginning to think of, and to propare for Christmas. Do not forget, dear boys and girls, to let your largest gift this year be to the Child-Jesus. My next letter will tell you about the Grande Ligne Mission. Your Friend,

Apprimatity is, or should be, the dominating quality of the true Church. This spiritual insight and sensitiveness suchles it to apprehend the mind of Christ and to rejoice in obedient and loving service of Him. Sometimes complaint is made that a purely spiritual Church, without worldly power and carnal equipments, cannot enforce proper respect among mon, nor secure divil ensetments and reforms that are necessary for the highest social welfare; but history abundantly proves that when the Church has best remembered the words of Christ, "My Kingdom is not of this world," then has she best served her Lord, and most effectively testified to the world concerning ain and redemption. The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, and for that reason they are mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds. Our warfare is not against flesh and blood but against principlities and spiritual wickedness in high places; therefore we must have weapons of spiritual edge and strength. A worldly Church may have outward pomp and magnificence, but it was when Peter said, "Silver and gold have I noue," that he could also add to the helpless paralytic: "In the name of Jasus Christ of Nazaroth, rise up and walk."—The Busign.

Eyzay Sunday school teacher should be interested in missions. The teacher's work is not only to lead to Jesus, but to train for survice. In mine cases out of ten if the class is not interested in missions it is because the teacher is not.

Scarcely a Sunday passes that we may not touch missions directly or indirectly while studying these in Sunday school lessons either in the Old or New Testament. Take for instance the lessons during the last quarter. Why every lesson teams with allusions to the redemption of the world. We have Home Missions in lesson two. July 12th, verse 41, how easy to lead from that to those who are our "neighbors." The "Women of Samaria," the "Feeding of the Five Thousand." Why the bom mand "go ye into all the world "seems written on each one.

Sunday school teachers are you in earnest in this matter? Will the Obristian boys and girls who leave your classes go with hearts full of this work, ready to give, and to do in this great cause?

THE RELATION OF BANDS TO THE WO MAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

BY MISS HUNNEMAN, MASSACHURETTS.

Dear girls, do you, who are working in some quiet corner for your Band, ever have a feeling of despan, almost, as you realize the magnitude and responsibility of the cause you have esponsed, and your own inability to meet that responsibility? Do you ever say, "What are the results of my Band worth, when the needs of the cause are so everwhelming?"

cause are so overwhelming?"
I wish I might now and forever dissipate that feeling, and give you strength and courage in the conviction that you do not work alone. You are one of a large society, sharing with thousands the work, the care, the joy of seeing the light of Christ shed in the dark places of the earth. Take courage, for you are in the rank and file of an army, whose leader is the Lord Himself; and under Him we here at home work to hold up the hands of our advance-guard across the sees.

The countless brooks and streams are necessary to the growth and maintenance of the broad river which widons and deepens as it rolls on toward the ocean, and it would soon disappear, leaving only a barren state, were the

streams out of : so the Bands are necessary to this great Spondry, to feed it and keep it growing. In a few days, the drops that idled in the sunny meedow and apartled over the tiny waterfall are in the scotter of the flood; so quickly does time hasten us on, and it will not be long before the workers in our Bands to day will be the flood den bearers in the older Circles of our churches. Let us he loyal to our Bociety, giving ourselves more to its work and resjoining own the success with which the Lord is continually blessing its labour.

It is true of home, and perhaps of many girls, that they do not lest a yiel connection with the great Society. They know they are helping on a Society, but do not realize that it is their own,—that they are a part

Whence are the future leaders, officers, and express workers for missions to come, if not from among the girls of to-day? Are they being trained for the responsible positions that await them? The older members are strotching out their hands to the girls; they want to feel your onthusiasm: they want to heer the steady march of the army of girls coming up to continue this work in the future. The work is great to-day; what will be its demensions twenty years from now? Are you quick to realize that this future work, with its greater opportunities and responsibilites, will be put into your hand to do?

This is your time for preparation, study, renewed consecration, active work, bringing all the girls into the ranks, that as the Lord opens new doors and avenues of usofulness in this great cause so dear to His heart, you may respond quickly, "Lord, here am I!"

FROM THE AID SOCIETIES AND MISSION BANDS.

Mrs. J. F. Kempton, Secretary for Kings County, N. S., has been "put on tour." She writes that she niet the Bill-Town Society, and had an interesting meeting. We hope they will raise a good deal more money this year.

On the same evening she met the Sunday school teachers and scholars, and organized a Mission Band. The Sunday school here is so well engaged in mission work that no change was made; a committee merely appointed to arrange for a monthly week night meeting, where they would have map exercises, etc., so that all could be educated in mission work. The rain prevented a meeting in Canard on Thursday; but a meeting was held in Canard in the evening, and our Corresponding Secretary also attended the monthly missionary prayer meeting.

On Saturday, Mrs. Kempton niet with the Aid Society at Port Williams. They now number twenty-five, and hope to organize a Mission Band soon.

Our Mission Band in Sydney, C. B., is again to the front. This tune with a fancy sale. The Secretary writes that the room was very prettily decorated with spruce. Candy, made by themselves, with ice cream and cake formed the refreshments. Iron holders, kuitted dish-cloths, tea-pot holders, needle books, pen wipers, aprons, and the quilt made by the Band filled to byer-flowing the "dry goods table." Everything sold but a few of the very small articles, and the Secretary adds, "No wonder, there were such a lot of them." The amount realized was \$31.47; the expenses, \$3.45, leaving a balance for Missions of \$228.

The annual meeting was held; the following officers being elected: Miss Harrington, Pres.; Miss A. Ciruchy,

Vice-Pres.; Miss B. Rutherford, Rec.-Secy.; Miss G. Armstrong, Cor.-Secy.; Miss K. MacLeod; Treas.; Miss C. Berton, Asst.-?reas.

God will surely bless such efforts as these. To one and all we say, "Be not weary, for in due season ye shall

reap if ye faint not."

CHESTER BASIN, LUNENSURG Co.—A Woman's Missionary Aid Society was organized here Saturday, Aug. 8th., with a membership of fourteen. This promises to be a flourishing Society. Six LINES were subscribed for. Officers as follows: Pres., Mrs. H. Henniger; Vice-Presds., Mrs. E. C. Smith and Mrs. Whitman Croft; Secg., Hattic Greenlaw; Treas., Effic Hennigar.

REGINA, N. W. T .- The Maritime W. B. M. U., at their recent convention, voted us out of funds already in their possession, \$200 towards our church building, and \$200 towards the pastor's salary, to be forwarded at once, and, better still, their Sccretary, Mrs. March, writes: "For next year" (the present with us) "we will raise \$800 for the North-West, which, if in the judgment of the North-West Board should be given to Regina, they are empowered to do so." Our Board has requested the W. B. M. U. to make Regina their mission, which they have virtually done by voting in all \$1,000 to us, all of which we shall receive this year. Praise the Lord for all this, and I am persuaded that besides the amount already voted we shall receive large and small sums towards our church building. Four more Baptists have recently come to town to live, and will be membered with us. A number are enquiring the way for baptism, and we expect to organize and haptize on Sept. 6th. N. W. B.

Will the leaders of Mission Bands see that the letters to our Bands in the October number of the Link is read to the Band and also in the Sunday school.

Remember to send all Mission Band monies to Mrs. Mary Smith, Treasurer W. B. M. U., Amberst, N. S.

SAVED THROUGH A TRACT.

The Madras Tract and Book Society reports a busy year's work. Their output of tracts in the three vernaculars of their districts amounts to 1,630,400. Rev. John Newton, of Cumbum, relates the following instance of conversion by one

of these tracts :-

We had been praying for the conversion of the caste people, and one evening, when all our native preachers and teachers were in at our quarterly meeting. I urged upon them the daty of at least giving the Lord a tenth of all their income. While I was thus addressing them, several of them brought small pieces of money and laid them on my table, and all of them agreed to give a tenth, and did so carnestly. I told them that the Lord would hiese them according to His promise in Mal. iii: 10. The next morning, at the close of our devotional service, a young man appeared in the church and asked for baptism. He wore a set of rough boads indicating the office of a priest, and also wore the paint marks on his face.

I examined him, and found that he was a believer in Christ. He showed me a dirty-looking little book, from which the covers had fallen off, and had been stuck on again by himself. He said that he had never been preached to by any one, but that one of your preachers had said him the book about a year previous, and that he had made, careful study of it, and as the result he had given up caste and was a believer in Christ. His final decision was at the very hour our people were promising and giving the Lord a tenth. — Word and Work.

The beatitudes of the Sermon on the Mount constitute a substantial chain, of which mercy is the swivel link connecting the human heart with the divine heart, with which it moves in unison.

Warrs six olphers in a line and they amount to nothing. Put the figure 1 before them, and they amount to a million. All human talents and possessions are but ciphers until you put the name of Jesus at the head of them. Then you make their owner a millionaire for heaven.

TO THE W. M. A. SOCIETIES OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES.

Please remember that all money is to be sent direct to Mrs. Botsford Smith, Amberst, N. S.; and also, that the money should be sent to her quarterly, in order that all our obligations maybe fully met.

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Miss A. E. Johnstone, of Dartmouth, N. S., is Correspondent of the Link for the Maritime Provinces. She will be glad to receive news items and articles intended for the Link from mission workers residing in that region.

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SUPPLEMENT.

Annual Reports of the W. B. F. M. Society of Ontario.

Annual Meeting of the Women's Societies of Ontario.

A large number of ladies' representing the Mission Circles of the province, gathered in the Tabbat Street Church, London, on Wednesday and Thursday, the 28th and 29th of October. On arriving in London, the delegates were most kindly met by a committee of ladies, who directed them to the homes provided for them. Wednesday was Home Mission Day; Thursday was devoted to the Foreign work. Upon both occasions, the first half hour was spent in earnest prayer that God's blessing might be upon the work of the day, and His presence felt to be with us in our gathering together, a petition to which an abundant answer was granted.

At the opening of the session on the morning of the first day, Mrs. McMaster, President of the Women's Home Missionary Society, presided. Mrs. Carfre, on behalf of the Circles of that city, very warmly welcomed the delegates to Lundon. Mrs. McMaster replied suitably, passing on to the consideration of the work undertaken during the past year by the Society over which she presided; also, to what must be attempted in the future. The reception of the reports of the associational directors, followed by those of the officers of the Home Missionary Society, occupied the rest of the morning. These were of such a nature as to make it a matter, not of regret, but of thankfulness, that both Societies had opened the year with the resolve to take "a forward step." It was felt that this would also be a wise policy for the year

Rarly in the afternoon session the Band work was taken up. The carefully prepared report of the Secretary, Miss Hattle West, shows that the children continue zealous in the good work. A short, but very good paper on the same subject, was read by Miss M. J. Mills, of Guelph. The report of the committee, which was last year appointed by the Convention for Indian Mission work, was given by Mrs. Wells, of Toronto. It was proved that the work so modestly begun has a warm place in the hearts of our women. The ladies of the committee have given careful attention to the work laid upon them, and Mr. J. Prince, the educated Indian, who has been our missionary, seems to have been especially prepared for the present need. The committee was re-appointed to continue this work on their present methods for another year, at the close of which they hope that foundation work will be well done, and, if desirable, the management may be safely changed. It will be remembered that the plan of raising funds is, to seek from each Baptist only ten cents a year, and, though many deeply interested in the work have given more, this is the only tax which we have been asked to lay upon ourselves on behalf of our Indian mission.

A very pleasing feature of this Convention throughout was, that the time allowed for questions and discussion was freely made use of by those present, so that many of us will return to our homes with clearor ideas in connection with our mission work than ever before.

Though a full programme had been arranged, the business of the Convention, on both days, was so well conducted, and the speakers expressed themselves so clearly and concisely, that much time was left for pleasant social intercourse, especially as the London ladies had very kindly provided tea in the church.

A full house assembled in the evening, when, for the first time in the history of the Women's Societies, the ladies took full charge of the meeting themselves. This course was decided upon because the time of the Convention—only two days—has been felt to be increasingly valuable for our special work. It will be safe to say that no one had reason to regret the innovation.

The very interesting report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. John Lillie, had been reserved for the larger gathering of the evening. We hope that many gained from this a fuller idea of the work that the Baptist women of Ontario are trying to do in lending a helping band to some struggling churches in our own land; also, in carrying the light into dark places, where, even in this favored country, the love of Jesus, as it has been revealed to us, is a thing altogether unknown.

Mrs. Firstbrook, of Toronto, followed with a bright, humorous, but earnest address, on the place which a woman in the midst of many home duties, may fill as a worker for missions. The speaker emphasized the duty and the privilege of sacrifice, pointing out that all who will follow Him are called to it in some form, though it may not be necessary for all to give up the same thing. The evening closed with a few words from Mrs. Boyd, of Toronto, on the Indian Mission, which is so near to her heart.

On the morning of Thursday, the 29th, the Convention re-assembled, Mrs. Booker, the President of the Foreign Mission Society, in the chair. After the usual opening exercises Mrs. Booker gave a brief address an address which, in thought, brought every one of our lady missionaries, in her separate field of labor, very near to us. The reports of the officers and of the LINK were received. These will appear in full in the LINK. The adoption of the revised Constitution, upon which much thought and care have been bestowed for the last two years, was the next order of business After a very brief discussion, the new constitution recommended by the Board was cordially adopted. According to this decision the officers for the year were elected. By this arrangement five members of the Board will retire each year, but are eligible for re-election. After lunch, the Corresponding Secretary gave a general report of the year's work, which was followed by the full reports of our missionaries themselves, each one being read by a miciant individual. This plan lent a distinct interest to the work of each missionary, tending to impress the details clearly upon the memory. The ladies who thus represented to us our sisters in India had evidently carefully studied the reports, and read with much These will all appear in the LINK. There followed the somewhat sad pleasure of listening to a noble paper from Mrs. McLaurin. Sad, because we realized that we all, who had been so often stirred by the words which came to us in that loving, gentle voice, should listen to it no more, at least for many a year to come. The impression made by that address will, we trust, still rest upon our spirits when she who spoke to us is far away.

There being a few minutes to spare at this point, Rev. Mr., Spencer, of St. Thomas, asked permission to say a few words on behalf of the General Board. They wish the ladies to interest themselves in the missionary conferences which are to be held at central points in this province. At Mrs. McLaurin's request the afternoon session closed with the singing of, "In the Sweet By-and-bye"

Mrs. Newman gave to the evening meeting an instructive paper on "Woman's Work in Foreign Missions." Much in formation on the Ladies' auxiliaries of former days was supplied. It was shown that this was no new thing, except in the matter of organization and extension, which has been marvellous in the last twenty years. The testimony of many brothren prominently connected with mission work was given to show the great benefit which these women's societies are in arousing an interest in the whole church for missions, as well as in raising funds for that purpose Grandma Burtch, of Woodstock, was then introduced. She spoke a few very impressive words, telling how much she had enjoyed this meeting. She said it was the best meeting we have yet had. She exhorted all to do more, give more, sacrifice more for missions Grandma Burtch is 86 years old. It was she, with her husband, who mortgaged the farm to help the educational work in its early years.

The remainder of the evening was occupied by Mrs. Downie, of Nellore, India, an American Baptist missionary lady, who gave a most interesting account of eighteen years experience among the Telugus. The every day life of a missionary was vividly portrayed. Mrs. Downie was listened to

with much appreciation by a large audience

The following resolutions were passed by the Convention. That at future meetings the roll-call be combined with the Treasurer's report, the dolegates rising as the Treasurer calls the name of the circle to which they belong, thus saving the time taken up by going over the list of Circles twice.

That the thanks of the Convention be extended to the

That the thanks of the Convention be extended to the ladies of London, who have so kindly entertained the delegates, both in their own homes and by provision made in the Talbot St. church; also to the choir of the above church for assistance rendered at the meetings.

The following were recommonded by the Committee on Resolutions, and approved of by the Convention, with evident deep feeling:

Whereas, our beloved brother and sister McLaurin are about to leave us, to work in India under another Board than our own

Therefore, Resolved,—That while we rejoice in the fact that they are still to be used in the Lord's work, and that their work is still to be incomection with the Telugu field in India, we siso deeply regret the loss we are to sustain in the carrying on of our own mission work—a work with which their names and thoir services have been so long identified, and, further, that we hereby put on record our deep sense of the loss we are to sustain in being thus deprived of their loving help, counsel, and sympathy in our own work.

Resolved,—That this Board do be shy extend to our dear atter and President, Mrs. Booker, assurance of our deep and heartfel; sy upsthy in the sore bureavement she has so recently been called to suntain in the loss of her husband; praying that He who so graciously sustained her under her former crushing sfliction, may attil sustain and strengthen her, and givegher more and more to realize that God is her Almighty supporter, and that ever underneath her are "the overlasting arm."

Whereas, God in His interutable wisdom has seen fit to remove our dear sister. Mrs. Drake, late of Madras, India, from her carthly work to H.s heavenly rest

Therefore, Resolved,—That this Board do hereby extend to our dear brother and sixter Alexander, together with the hereaved husband and sisters of the deceased, assurances of our heartful sympathy in this great bereavement—a bereavement in which we feel ourselves persons laborer—and pray that the Great Head of the Church may overrule this mysterious dispensation to His own glory, and the furtherance of His cause.

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APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1891-2.		
Woman's Work for Woman-		
Akida Bible Work	8 635	00
Cocanada Girl's School		00
Zenana work	1055	00
Samulcotta Bible work	80	00
Tuni Bible work	240	00
•	3010	00
Miss Rogers' salary	250	0 0
1	83260	00
The usual appropriations on the general work, namely, for the Village schools, books and tracts, and for student labor—		
Akidu		
Coosnada	225	
Tuni		00
Vuyyuru	215	00
	8855	00
Jheddapur	100	00
Yellamanchili	25	00
	\$980	00
Samulcotta Seminary		
All the estimates, exclusive of Mr. Stillwell's salary, and \$150 from the Eastern Society		6 0
TOTALS.		
Women's work for Women	\$3260	00
General work		
Seminary	2170	00

There is need that the contributions for the coming year shall be considerably larger than the year just closed, as the estimates exceed those of the past year, by about \$600, besides this the Board are hoping to be able to send out another lady missionary before the year ends, as there is a call for another to work in connection with one of the new Stations.

Grand Total.....

E. DAVIES, Rec. Sec.

Fifteenth Annual Report of the Recording Secretary.

During the past year your Board has held four regular meetings and one extra meeting. At the Trat meeting of the newly appointed Board for the year, held in the Park Church, Brantford, on October 23rd, the following appropriations were made:

Missionaries Salaries	\$2000
Munshi	70
Assistants	325
Bible Women	

Village Schools, Books and Tracts	750
Cocanada Boarding School	400
" Training "	100
Travelling, Medicine and Taxes	55
Miscellancous	50
Books for Seminary	120
All the estimates for Samulcotta Seminary, be- sides those already assumed, except Mr. Still- well's salary and \$150 voted by the W. B.	
F. M. Society of Eastern Outario and Queboc To refund the Sister Society of the Maritime Pro- vinces for the sum expended in the sending out and support of Miss Fitch, now Mrs.	17941
LaFlamme, about	1000
	8 6945
Less amount assumed by the Convention East, on the Cocanada Zenana work	250
Total	86695

These appropriations include work on two new stations, namely, Yellamanchilli and Vuyyuru.

in view of the large amount of extra work undertaken for

this year, it was decided to ask the Circles to hold a Thankoffering service, devoting the offering to this special need

Miss Folsom was made an honorary missionary of this

society.

Mrs. Booker, Mrs. Freeland, Mrs. Newman, Mrs. J. J. Baker and Miss Hatch were appointed a committee on the revision of the Constitution. All members of the Board were requested to express their opinion of the proposed changes, either personally or in writing, at the January meeting. view of the information thus gathered, the above committee recommended at the April meeting, a constitution which, with some amendments, was approved by the Board and will be laid before the Convention

At the meeting held on July 6th, a letter was read from Miss May Macdonald, of Stratford, stating that after two years of medical study, with the mission field in view, she found herself quite unable to continue her course with out financial assistance, Miss Macdonald enquired whether it would be possible for the Board to aid her during the two years necessary to complete her course in the Woman's Meddical College, Toronto, stating that her expenses would be \$250 a year. All reports received of Miss Macdonald's promise, both as a physician and a missionary, were very gratifying. As it was ascertained that for Miss Macdonald to obtain the degree of M.D., would cost an additional fifty or sixty dollars, it has been felt by all that the advantage would amply justify the increased expense.

After much cornect consideration, the following resolution was unanimously passed: That we accode to Miss Macdon ald's request to aid her in completing her medical education, on the understanding that she become the missionary of this

Board at the close of the term.

On the 8rd of September, a special meeting of the Board was called to consider a letter from Miss Macdonald. MacDonald had ascertained that, to take the degree of M. D. in Toronto, would detain her in this country for three years instead of two, as the Toronto school refused to accept the work done by her in Acadia College, in place of university matriculation. She therefore wished to finish her course in Chicago, where, in addition to other advantages, the degree would be obtained in two year's time. It was resolved that: In view of the fact that Miss Macdonald would require three years in Toronto in order to take her degree, in place of two years in Chicago, we approve of her going to Chicago.
A great of \$150 a year for two years was made to Miss

Macdonald, the rest of the money required during her term of study to be loaned without invetest.

Eight life-members have been added during the year, namely: Mrs. Alfred Jury, New Auburn, Minnesota; Mrs. Ira Smith, Toronto; Miss Lillie Talbot, Chicago; Mrs. Joseph Johnson, Boston; Mrs. Ezra Harvey, Boston; Mrs. Hartley, Guelph; Miss Tapacott, Hamilton; Mrs. A. Pop-plewell, Brantlord. Making a total list of one hundred and twenty Life Members.

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Respectfully submitted,
ELLEN DAVIES,

Fifteenth Annual Report of the Corresponding Secretary of the W. B. F. M. Society of Ontario.

With deep gratitude to the Great Head of the Charce's, we attempt to record the work of another year. have again proved His faithfulness, who, before He ascended to His Father, left with His disciples the promise, "Lo I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." His hand has guided us, and His Spirit has influenced the hearts of His people, so that we have been able to accomplish all that was undertaken at the first Board meeting of the year. The appropriations made last Convention included - beyond the amounts formerly made-the whole of the Seminary work (with the exception of Mr. Stillwell's salary), and also a special appropriation amounting to nearly a thousand dollars-the totals exceeding the income of any previous year. In order to meet this increased work, it was decided to appeal to the Circles for \$1000, to be given as a Thank-offering for Foreign Missions. They were all communicated with; a circular prepared by our President, clearly setting forth the needs, was sent to each. A very generous response was made by some, but it was not so general as had been expected, the sum realized only amounted to \$585.34. Apart from this, the interest shown in Foreign Missions by the Circles and Bands has been very gratifying. Fifteen more Circles have reported to the Treasurer this year than last, and the reccipts from them show an increase of \$755.87. The number of Circles reported to the Treasurer are 184.

The Associational returns show 194 Circles.

79 Circles have increased their contributions

45 Circles have fallen off in their contributions.

16 Circles have not reported.

17 new Circles have been formed.

5 Oircles have been re-organized.

3 Circles have died.

given over \$3 per contributor.

8 Circles have given \$2 or over per contributor

67 Circles have given \$1 or over per contributor.

Only one Circle has given \$1 for each woman in the church.

Two Circles (Harriston and College St., Toronto) have

These statistics show that faithful work has been done by the Directors, and no doubt in many cases tell a tale of self-sacrificing love, such as perhaps others of us know little about gifts-precious to Jesus, "who though he was rich yet for our sakes became poor, that we through his poverty might become rich," and returning to the givers that joy that no one can take from them.

It is a disappointment to our missionaries and a matta of regret to us, that no medical lady has been found to go out to India this year. The combined medical skill of Mrs. Oraig and Miss Stovel can do little to alleviate the sufferings of the people in and near Akidu. Every day they come to be treated, and every day a number have to go away disappointed, because their diseases are of too serious a nature for unskilled treatment.

We are happy, however, to say that Miss May Macdonald, who has been for two years attending the Women's Medical College of Toronto, and who is highly spoken of —not only as a student of more than ordinary ability—but as a devoted Christian, is now continuing her studies at the Women's Medical College of Chicago, and will, we hope, be ready to go to India as medical missionary of our Society in about two years.

Since her acceptance by the Board, many generous gifts towards her support while preparing for the work, have been received.

Last January, the missionaries in conference in Cocanada sent the following request: "Resolved,—That
in view of the uncertainty of Miss Folsom's early return,
we request the Women's Board of Ontario, Canada, to
secure and send out to Cocanada a lady teacher, compotent to fill the office of Lady Principal of the Timpany
Memorial School, on the understanding that we engage
to pay a monthly salary of Rs. 100, and provide suitable
accommodation. In the event of Miss Folsom's return,
the lady sent by the Women's Board would be employed
in mission work under the direction of the Board.

Because of the extra work taken up for the year, the Board was afraid to accede to this request, although the Timpany school is a great blessing, is necessary, and was suffering on account of Miss Folsom's absence.

As the reports from our lady missionaries will be given in full, it is only necessary very briefly to refer to them.

Thank God for such a noble band of workers. As word comes to us from time to time of all that they accomplish, we can only wonder and take shanne to ourselves, that we who are surrounded by our own loved ones, who have so few things to discourage us, do so little. Lord's Day and week day, from dawn to dark, they labor, teaching, touring, going from house to house, and also in their homes, telling heathen women and children of Jesus, the Son of God, the Light of the world, the Resurrection and the Life. Hundreds have heard this message for the first time, and it is hoped that many have accepted this salvation.

Under Miss Baskerville's principalship the Coconada (firl's school, which is a sort of advanced school for all the fields, is becoming a power in the mission. The training department for Bible women has already proved itself very valuable.

To Miss Simpson and her workers, Mrs. De Beaux and Miss Gibson, the cenanus are opening. The women are learning to repeat passages of Scripture and Bible stories.

The close of last year was a time of deep heart-searching among the native Christian workers in Cocanada, and was followed by humble confession of sin—sin, so vile, that discipline had to follow, and the staff of Bible women was very much reduced, but the fathful few have been blessed. Mahalutchni who has long been doing good work as a Bible woman, has removed to Vizianagram, in the field of the Maritime Provinces; her place has been filled by Lydia, from Miss Baskerville's training department, who has already proved herself "a gem on tour as well as in houses in Cocanada."

The reports of Mrs. De Beaux and Miss Gibson, are on the whole encouraging. They seem to have been more gladly received by the women, whose confidence in their idols is weakened, but, having been taught to expect another birth into this world, makes some of the women very indifferent about anything greater. Cthers not only gladly listen to the word, but it sinks deeply into their hearts, and it is confidently hoped that very many are true believers in Jesus, the Christ. Two or three who haye heard the Gospel for a long time, have, on their deathbeds, had courage to confess their faith in the Son of God.

The Sunday school for caste girls is opening the doors to the zenena visitor. The children tell at home the Bible lessons they have heard, and one little girl sings to her blind grandmother the hymns she has learned there.

In Jagganaikpuram, Miss Beggs has rained the confidence and love of the women, and is looked upon as their dearest friend. She has also visited the Pattas, and the singing of hymns and Bible reading have been listened to with interest.

Miss Rogers' report will show that while giving all attention to her study of Telugu, she has also been able to

do considerable direct mission work.

Miss Hatch has not only proved herself invaluable in her work in the Seminary, leading her classes in a course of Bible study, that few here would be able to master, but she has beside found time for much other work. It is pleasing to learn that Ramayyamma, the story of whose baptism was sent to every Circle, is a faithful worker: constantly bringing other women to hear from Miss Hatch's lips the "old, old story of Jesus and His love."

Miss Stone!'s work in Akidu is in some respects different from that on any other field. She has carried the glad tidings to many villages and towns. Nothing seems to hinder her in her determination to give the Gospel to all whom she can reach. Christians have been instructed; to the heathen the story of the Cross has been repeated; children at home, and in schools have been told of Jesus; and much time given to the sick ones.

Mr. Craig repeats to us what he has written to the General Board about a lady helper at Akidu, he says "Miss Stovel has spent a great deal of time and strength over the Christians in various churches, but especially over the members of the Akidu church, who live in the surrounding villages, great good has resulted. We are still looking for, and praying for the medical lady, who is, we trust, to join Miss Stovel, in her labors for the women and children in particular, and for all classes to a greater or less extent."

The wonderful health of our missionaries is a cause for deep thankfulness. With the exception of Miss Hatch, who was considerable run down in the early part of the

year, all have been quite well.

Work among the children has been diligently prosecuted. This is the great hope of India. Our ladies have, now about twenty Sunday schools in which some five or six hundred children are being taught God's word. In

"some cases-the parents also attend.

The Bible Women have stedfastly continued their work. Several new ones have taken the places of those who have been removed. Two or three of these have been trained in the Cocanada school, and show in their work the great benefit of Miss Baskerville's careful tuition. Mr. Craig reports the two at Bodagunta, near the Kistna River, have continued to do good work. One of them, Veeramma, was very ill for some time but is recovering. The others are referred to in the reports from the field. In Cocanada, Samalcotta, Akidu, Tuni and Vuyyuru, they have been supported by our Bociety.

Samulcotta Seminary.—The wish was expressed last year that we might some day be able to take the whole

support of the Seminary. This year the wish has become a reality. With the exception of Mr. Stillwell's salary, and some special donations from other Societies for the august of students, the work has been sustained by the

gifts of our women and children.

Village Schools .- Mr. Craig reports for the Akidu field, 15 in session for six months or more, with 160 boys and 35 girls in attendance. Other 15 schools have been in session from two to five months, with 100 boys and 14 girls attending. There is difficulty in securing a large at-tendance of girls, as the people do not understand why girls should be educated. The Gunnanapudi school is an exception to this; many girls are there, being well educated. Mr. Craig is urging the teaching of the first Catechism to all the children and the church members too. It contains a simple statement of elementary truths. Great regret has been expressed at the action of the Convention last year, in forbidding the Government reward for proficiency in some of the branches taught to the children, as by this action the work is greatly crippled. The natives cannot possibly, out of their great poverty, pay for the schooling of their children, and it is of vital importance that they should be instructed in the village schools. The Cocanada school will also suffer from this

The result of the past year's work, eternity alone will reveal. It was entered upon with prayer, it closes with thanksgiving. God has allowed us to do great things in His name; but let us not rest satisfied. The call comes for more missionaries, for consecrated, self-sacrificing women, who are ready from love to their Redeemer, to spend and be spent in His service. Teachers of high standing are wanted, medical women, and women who for the love they have for the dark-skinned and darker-souled women and children of India, are willing to travel from village to village and tell the story of Jesus' love in the homes, in the streets, at the wayside, beside the wells, in the schools and in every possible place.

To send such women more money will be needed year by year. We can send them if we will Let us be faithful; let us abound more and more in ur gifts; let us make use of whatever talents the Master has left in our keeping, in such a way that at His coming He shall receive His own, not increased five or ten, but a hundred fold. "Behold I come quickly and My reward is with Me, to give to every man according as his work shall be."

JANE BUCHAN,

Cocanada Girls' Boarding School.

To the Ladies of the Women's Baptist Foreign Mission Board of Ontario.

Dear Sisters,—As our year begins with July, the 1st of July, 1890, was a suitable time to begin my work. Though for eleven months previously I had been doing what I could, the school was formally given over to me at that time and my work really commenced.

Because I felt that study should have first place for two years at least, I continued my former programme of work during July, August, September and October, teaching from 8 till 9, and from 2 till 3; studying with munshi from 9 till 11; superintending sewing from 11 till 1; on Monday holding prayer meeting with the girls from

4 till 5; visiting two afternoons in the malapillies, and superintending the girls' mending on Saturday afternoons. My studies having been chiefly confined to examination work and the Bible, I found it necessary to make myself acquainted with the text-books used in the higher standards in school, for although one gets an excellent vocabulary for Christian work, you will understand how we rank as scholars when you know that the Telugu poetry we study is the same as that set for the third standard in school.

During November and December I spent considerable time looking into the working of the secular department, and found that there was much room for improvement. The time-table in use allowed for recitations of one hour, and necessitated the division of the five standards into three classes for Bible study; the first Bible class being made up of the first and-second standards, the second taking in the third standard, and the third the fourth and fifth. This was altered, although the head master protested that he and his assistant had used it for five years, and he saw no necessity for altering it now.

At my request, a committee (consisting of Mr. Craig, Miss Hatch and myself) was appointed at Conference in December to outline a course of Bible study for the fifth standard and the advanced class, because fourth standard girls from this and other fields are eligible for entrance. The combined wisdom of this committee (Miss Stovel representing Mr. Craig) made out the following programme, not only for the class for which we were appointed, but for the other standards as well:

1st Standard.—"New and Old Testament Stories," two small books, giving the events of the Bible in simple story form.

2nd Standard.—"The Life of Christ," in words of Scripture. This might perhaps be considered a sort of harmony of the four evangelists.

3rd Standard.—Genesis. In this class the children to be taught the books of the Old Testanient, with their classification into historical, poetical, major and minor prophets.

4th Standard. - Mark, and Mrs. Archibald's catechism.

5th Standard. -John and Acts.

Government aid.

Training Class, first year.—John and Acts, with 5th Standard, and a class in Old Testament history, beginning with Exodus.

Training Class, second year.—1 and 2 Corinthians, Colossians, and Old Testament history continued.

The new time-table, now in use, gives no more than half-an-hour to any recitation, and allows for a Bible lesson every day for each standard. The sewing also is done in school hours, each standard spending, every day, half-an-hour in sewing. I am teaching in the school building instead of having my classes come to me, as formerly, and find that the presence of the missionary for three and a half hours every day has a good effect. This began on the 1st of March, and at the same time we began an English class, taught by M. Keseverasgarn, a young Brahman convert. This young man was for a time second master in the school, but is now attending the Rajah's college in the town, with a view to preparing himself for the head mastership. He goes up for matriculation in December, and expects to study for the F. A. examination, a degree midway between matriculation and B. A., afterwards taking a Normal course. With a thoroughly well qualified man, we expect to have a primary normal school of our own, which will perhaps take about the same standing as the model schools in Ontario. We had hoped to take some steps towards attaining this object, but can do nothing of the kind apart from government. Government inspection, or even recognition, is

Miss Rogers took the second standard Bible class under the old time-table until she went to Akidu, and Mr. Brown taught the first standard Bible class for some little time before he left for Samalkot, thus leaving me some time for private study,

The system of education is very different here from that with which you are acquainted, but I think our fifth standard examination would compare with the examina-

tion for entrance to High Schools in Canada.

Three Sunday schools for heathen children were carried on; one is held on Thursday, but is conducted in the same manner as the others. The total number of children in attendance is perhaps not more than 150, but they come regularly, and we feel that something is being accomp-lished. Visiting in two malapillies was kept up regularly until it became too hot to venture out. We receive quite a cordial welcome in these villages, where formerly we met with indifference and rudeness. I had the pleasure of making an eight days' tour with Mr. and Mrs. Davis in January, and realized, as never before, the spiritual destitution of the people.

At the beginning of the year the number of boarders was 35, day scholars, 46, of whom 23 were boys. have had three marriages during the year, those of Batsala Lydia, on the 31st Dec., 1890; Sanasi Leah, on March 30, 1891, and Patti Subbamma, April 30, 1891. Singaluri Hope went with her sister Mahalutchmi when she and her husband went north to work under Mr. Sanford, and Vara Martha, after a long illness, went home. She returned, but, as she was not strong, her mother again took her home, and we expect her to come later on. Two promising young girls were baptized and received

into the church early in this year. Mary and Ruth of Akidu returned home, and Anna and Ratnavati took their places at the beginning of 1891. S. Lydia began work with Miss Simpson in January, and is giving satisfaction. P. Subbamma was put in charge of the infant standard, and was doing well, but unfortunately had an offer of marriage, and I was obliged to let my good little teacher go. We have had no regular t eacher since vacation, but hope to secure someone to fill the place permanently before long. Satyavedamma remained until vacation, and then went back to her Bible work, I trust having received sone benefit from her

residence in the school.

I still cling to munshi, but can only manage one hour

a day for five days in the week.

I fear I have written at too great length, but in closing must express my deep thankfulness to Him who through another year has crowned me with loving kindness and tender mercy, and who has indeed been the God of all comfort in time of sore trial and bereavement.

A. E. BASKERVILLE.

Zenana Work-Cocanada

To the Ladies of the Women's Baptist Foreign Mission Boards of Ontario and Quebec :

My Dear Sisters, -Though we are grieved at the loss of workers, and at the indifference of many of our harrers, still we have much to praise God for. The Spirit of the Lord has been with us, and we believe that the seed sown has taken root in some hearts, and that it will spring up and bear fruit unto everlasting life. We are grateful for health. The work throughout the year has been very little hindered through illness of the workers. Though, as K. Tamer, one of our Bible women, gave birth to a little son, the Lord saw fit to call her unto Himself, and her place has not been filled, we are not discouraged, because this is His work, and He is shundantly more interested in it than we can be, and He saw that it was good, that it should be so. We miss her, and many of those who have listened to the Truth from her lips, miss her, and her last words are treasured in the hearts of many among them who looked upon her as a friend. Mahalutohmi, who has been so long connected with the Cocanada Zenana work, has gone to Virzianagram, where her husband is engaged as Colporteur, and where she writes me she finds ready listeners. We have engaged in her place S. Lydia, one of the girls trained in the Bible-training Department, who is proving herself to be a faithful little worker.

B. Miriam, so long supported by Mias Folsom, is now receiving her support from your society, and continues to render invaluable assistance to Miss Beggs in her work in Jugganaikaparam. M. Sarah, with Muramanda as her centre, visits nine villages regularly every month, and has reported seven baptisms during the past six months, which she considers to be the result of her

efforts.

G. Martha and A. Rhoda have not been engaged in

the work since September of last year.

The reports of the assistants, which I shall inclose, speak for themselves. Owing to the intense heat of April and June (May being the regular holiday month), the workers did very little visiting. Your missionary realizing that a wider experience than that gained at the Toronto General Hospital would be useful in the work, applied for admittance to the Government Lying-in Hospital, Madras, which was granted, and arriving there on the 12th of March, remained for nearly seven weeks, afterwards resorting to Ootscamund for the hot month of May and a part of June.

In February, Miss Rogers, Miss Gibson and I, accompanied by some of the Bible women, made a short tour, visiting nine of the villages on the South Cocanada Field, meeting with hundreds of women and children,

with whom we left the never dying word.

The Caste Girls' Sunday school has been continued throughout the year, excepting the month of May, with an average attendance of twenty girls. Mrs. Debeaux, who has always taken an active share in this work, taking full charge during my absence. In January a Sunday school was started in Rachapella, one of the suburbs of Cocanada. This school has had an average attendance of 125 scholars. K. Joseph, the village school master, who had assisted from the beginning, superintending it after my departure, and we are hoping that in the future this will be his special charge.

The total number of visits made during the year is 1995; total number of women listeners, 5607; total number of new houses, 48; besides the work done in the pattes amongst the outcast women and children. that, though in some of the old houses the women have become altogether indifferent, and the houses have been dropped off the list, we are finding an entrance into others.

I am still devoting what time I can to the study of the

Pray for us that the power of the Spirit may be upon us as we go forth to scatter the seed, and that we may have the grace and patience to leave the results with Him.

> Yours in the work. BARAH SIMPHON.

Zenana House, Aug. 10th, 1891.

Cocanada

Dear Miss Buchan, -The year has passed very quietly, most of the time spent in the study of the language. From the first of April until the middle of July, I was in Akidu with Miss Stovel, keeping her company while the Craigs were away to the hills, the rest of the time I have been in Cocanada, except one week that I was out with Miss Simpson on tour. From September Miss Blakerville has kindly allowed me to practice my Telugu in teaching one of her classes, and while in Akidu I had the same privilege. I find this a great help to me in learning to use the words as I acquire them. In December, with two of the boarding girls to help, a Sabbath school in a malapilly was started. At first I thought that we could have the children from a near Madiga village in the same school, but the caste prejudice, even among these outcast people, is so strong, that I found it impracticable, so we have two schools, with an average attendance of twenty in one place and forty-five in the other. While I was away they had to be dropped, and I feared that the children would forget all they had learned, but I was greatly surprised when I came back to find that they remembered nearly all they had been taught. women very often gather in a circle behind the children and seem quite pleased when their children can repeat the verses correctly and as we talk to the children, we pray that some words may reach the hearts of these poor ignorant mothers.

It is only a very small beginning but I am very thankful that the Lord has permitted me to do even this little, and I want also to acknowledge His goodness, in preserving my health; after a year and eight months in India, two hot seasons on the plains, the last a very trying one, I am still well, it seems like an assurance that I may be able to work here many years. So I look ahead with praises and thanksgiving, simply asking that I may be used to the glory of God, and be found just where He

would have me to be.

Yours in the Master's service,

MARTHA ROGERS.

Cocanada, Aug. 9th.

Samulcotta.

To the Ladies of the Women's Foreign Mission Board of Ondario:

Hear Sisters,—In reporting you of the year past, I propose to give you the record of one day's sayings and doings, which will give you glimpses of the work of the year. It is not a sample day, but rather a day on which nearly all the points of my work have been touched.

The day was Saturday, and I arose early to perform some household duties and to have my room, walls and ceiling thoroughly dusted and swept. I called in a few helpers, as many hands make light work. This work begun, one of the students who had been appointed to read a paper for our Foreign Mission monthly concert, came, that I might help him finish translating it. The next evening he was to read this paper, which was the story of Ling Ching Ting, as found in the Missionary Extrete. The translation done, and one of our Sunday school volunteers came to receive instruction as to the subject to be taught next day. Our volunteers number twelve now, and we have three schools, two new ones

this year, the three having an average attendance of about 200. The students take turns in giving instruction to the whole school before dismissing into chasses, or, if the school is held outside, in addressing the crowds that gather. In school number 1, we are teaching the Life of Christ, consecutively, as found in the different Gospels, and these volunteers I have formed into a sort of normal class, criticizing their efforts and instructing them on these lines. D. received his lesson and had just gone, when P. came with a letter written in Telugu, for which he wanted my approval. This was written to Mrs. McLaurin by the Literary Society of the Seminary, the members of which deem it a privilege to thus remember their founder year by year. This letter, of course, I did not need to translate; but those I have translated during the year-into Telugu for the students and into English for their supporters -number forty-four, besides fortyfive letters of my own on their behalf. Before P. had gone, Chinnamma came in, heading a troop of lively children, fourteen in all, who are the regular attendants at her school. The work has not grown so much as we had hoped at the half year, there are just twenty on the roll. They came for a visit this morning, so I must sit down and hear them sing, when I afterwards sent them off happy, with a few pice to buy sweetmeats.

It was soon time for our eleven o'clock breakfast, then family prayers, then a siesta, and the afternoon's work must begin. The morning Foreign Mission paper was brought to me finished and read before me; then two widows came to see me. Ramayyamma, besides her work in the town, gives me many opportunities for work in my own room, as she frequently brings me visitors, sometimes one or two at a time, and sometimes six or eight. Some come out of mere curiosity, a cheap cottage piano and some family portraits of my brother's painting, are a great attraction to them; but some come with a real desire to hear more of the Word of Life, of which they have learnt something from R. One of these two widows I had never seen before, and from the number of salutations, bows and salaams I received, I might have thought myself a goddess. I told her I was only an ordinary mortal, that I also was subject to sin, but that I had found a Saviour who might be her Saviour too. told her to pray to God in the name of Jesus Christ, to take her sins away. She had much difficulty in learning that name. R. joined with me in exhortation, and I was glad to find her so clear in telling of the way of salvation to be found in the death of Christ. I also sang and prayed for them, and, when they left, a student who had not previously been in my class in Acts, came, wishing me to give him help in finding out on the map the journeys of St. Paul.

My real work of the year is this, that of teaching the precious Word of God to His children, that they may in turn teach others. Besides Acts, I have this year taught in the various classes, I. Corinthians, I. and II. Thessalonians, Galatians, Colossians and Ephesians, in the New Testament, and in the Old, Genesis, Exodus, Numbers and I. Samuel, besides the Sunday school lessons in Luke. I had to dismiss the Bible-students, to receive six other women whom R. brought to me. Of these, one had been several times to see me, and now she came to say good-bye, as she was about to rejoin her husband in another town. This woman was a very interesting woman indeed, was able to road, had received much instruction in the Scriptures in the different places at which her husband, who was apothecary to the native

regiment, had been stationed. Her husband's relatives were some of them Christiana, baptized. She and her husband were also, she said, ouly they had not been baptized. A. seemed leth to go and lingered long, as she would not see me again very soon. After much exhortation in the way of Life, they left, A. begging me to renember her with love. A Christian woman then claimed my attention a short time: she had some family troubles to relate.

It was now nearly aix, so I went out for some recreation, and we were just being called in for dinner, when we found one of the students' wives had been taken very suddenly ill. I helped Mrs. S. relieve the sufferer somewhat by water applications, and then went in to dinner. As Mrs. S. was called out to see the sick woman again, our usual concert of prayer for our Telugu mission was omitted. The evening I spent chiefly in reading over and collecting some items of interest for our missionary meeting. I closed the day with prayer with R. and the two punkah-women who come to me these very hot nights. And so the day was done. I lay down weary, and yet withal thankful, that the Lord had so filled my head and hands with work, and I prayed that He would at all times give me strength equal to my days.

A few items must be added:—The women's prayer-meeting continues; five occasional visitors labored earnestly in the Gospel for part of the year, visiting the heathen women in the town; at present two of these are not here, two have increased family cares, and one cannot go alone, but we hope some will again resume work. Satyavedam, of Jetlapalem, having received much benefit from her six months' training in the Cocanada school, hus begun her work in the village with renewed interest; the troubles alluded to in the last report have now subsided, among the women of Chellinga and the surrounding villages, and reports constant work; the missionary of the Peddapuram field, where she is, will henceforth oversee her work and report for her.

God has blessed me with a fair measure of health and strength during the year, but I had to escape the heat by running away to the hills during vacation.

May He bless us all with all spiritual blessing in heawenty places in Christ Jesus, in the days that are to come! With many loving greetings to all the sifters. I am, yours faithfully,

S. I. HATCH.

Samulcotta, Aug. 22, 1891.

Samulcotta.

My Dear Miss Buchan.—Heretofore I have been somewhat perplexed as to the nature and extent of report that I should send you, but I am happy to say that my doubts have reached a solution and that my perplexity exists no longer. Moreover my report should be easily written, for from the beginning the women have shown a sincere interest in the work done at the Seminary, for they have regularly contributed to its support. But when Miss Hatch came to the Seminary and became a large factor in all the good work done, it was only natural that the interest shown on the part of the women should increase; and so last year our hearts were made glad by the women undertaking (the Principal's salary excepted) the entire support of the institution. For that means not only their interest in collecting funds for the working of the Seminary, but their prayers as well. And when we are remembered constantly in the prayers of the

Baptist women of Ontario and Quebec, may we not hope that, in answer, the Divine Spirit will overshadow the place and create in the minds of these students an inextinguishable flame of love, that will make Gospel heralds of them.

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And, moreover, it seems to me that the women, as they ever
do, have chosen wisely, when they decided to expend so much
money in the training of the future avangelists and pastors for
these Telugu people. For though there may be a question as
to what extent foreign money may be used to support native
helpers, that question disappears in regard to the support of
Biblical and theological education. For it is customary in
America, and Canada even, to build and endow schools and
frequently also to expend money upon needy students while
pursuing their course. The cases are not parallel, I know,
still it seems to me that you may commit your gifts to this
work with a freer mind than can sometimes be done in reference to other objects.

And then as to self-support, which has been, and is still a burning question, I think we are making some progress. You will have seen in the Baptist and Link, several months ago, accounts of a movement among the students in that direction; and as no letters have followed giving after-resuits, you may inquire what has become of the movement. Was it a mere short-lived outburst of enthusiasm, or was it a clear grasping of the situation, with a determination by the grace of God to respond? I think it was somewhat of the latter kind. But there needs to follow much patient work and not a little waiting. For the students to put into practice all that the pledge means at once, upon leaving the Seminary, would mean that many must return to cooly labor which would also necessitate a return to their homes or a situation, where work could be found. But this we cannot afford, and as the Christians have scarcely the ability, and certainly not as yet, the mind to undertake their support while ministering to them the Word of Life, and preaching the Gospel to the heathen around, it follows that their support must be continued longer. Moreover, in this crusade much depends upon the missionary in charge of the field, to which the student goes, and unfortunately every missionary's time and strength are limited. The work is truly great and as we come to appreciate it better, we more and more realize that the laborers are few. But this much, however; you have not, I hope, heard the last of the movement. One of the graduates of last year is even now supported by a native church, while another partial course man put his pledge into too literal practice by returning to cooly work. Indeed, many of the students have the mind, but there are difficulties still in the way. These, however, will be surmounted in the near future.

As to the work done in the school, it is very much of the same character as formerly, only, I hope, of an ever increasingly better quality. Miss Hatch will, of course, report her own work in the Bible Department. It may be added, that no very clear line can be drawn as to the work done by any one in the Seminary; still, you may rest assured that every one and all are doing all they can.

You will have seen a photograph of the graduates reproduced in the LINK, with a brief characterization of pack. They are not all that we could wish, still, we think they have the root of the matter in them and that they will make good and efficient workers. As we are adding a year to our course of study, we shall have no graduates the coming Commencement Day, except one or two partial course students. As it takes a long time to complete the course, we expect to lay more stress in future upon préparing men for the work who will study but two or three years. The need is so pressing for preachers and teachers that we find it difficult to wait until the students are ready for the work.

As to the conduct of the students, we think it will compare favorably with that of the students in any other like institution in India or America. We are trusting for a good year, and crave a particular interest in your prayers that the students may not fall into temptation and sin. The outasional falls are the griefs in the work. There is now a goodly company in the Seminary—somewhere about eighty students, including wives, of whom there are nine this year.

A very pleasing thing I am sure you will be glad to learn, namely, that Miss Hatch has succeeded in raising sufficient money to build seven students' houses, which will accommodate thirty or thirty-five students. As the houses are needed, it is most welcome to us all hero-students especially included-and I am sure that you will rejoice with us. houses cost \$60 each, and should any sister have anything above her usual subscription, to devote to a particular object, I am sure Miss Hatch will be happy to receive it towards the building of another six houses.

You will remember that this report is supposed to give an account of all work done from the 1st July of one year till the 30th June of the succeeding year; but, it so happens that we delay writing reports till the latest possible mailing day, much trying the good Secretary's patience at home sometimes, I fear, and so we are well in another year's work when we begin our report. You will see by the date attached to this report that we have reached the middle of August, and that accordingly we have already put in six weeks of Seminary work of the ensuing year. As to these six weeks, we are glad to report averything in a most prosper-

But probably my report is quite long enough, and, therefore, I shall close with the hope that as in the past, so in the future, and even ever increasingly more so, the work done will be such as to command your hearty approval and sympathies. May God bless with His richest blessings all the home workers, who, though in Canada, are doing so much for the work here.

Yours ever faithfully in the work, J. R. STILLWELL. August 14th, 1891.

Akidu.

A year's work! How much or how little those words mean is hard to put in black and white. It is hard to give a report of seed-sowing and upbuilding among our Telugu sisters, Christian and heathen, nevertheless I must try.

During the twelve months, the Bible-women have been but four in number, all working with me, or immediately under my direction. In Akidu, and in every one of the surrounding villages the number of caste houses open to us, and visited by us, has increased, while not one has

closed against us.

The way of life has been unfolded. The old, old story has been repeated o'er and o'er. Christ has been lifted up, and He is drawing unto Himself. In many homes we see evidences of a growing distrust in the gods that are no gods, and a growing faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. The two widows of whom I reported encouragingly last year, are both firm in the faith and their decision for Christ. One is enduring for His sake terrible persecutions at the hands of those of her own household, being hound with chains; we pray that her bonds may "fall out rather to the furtherance of the Gospel."

The other has returned from a long absence in a distant village. Before going she made me pray for her, that she might not forget what we taught her, and now her first words were, "I have not forgotten, I have not forgotten Jesus; every day I have told about Him, how He loves and cares for even a widow; how He hates sin, and how He died to save us from it, and how different He is from our gods. They laughed at me, and some among the elders of my people beat me but, I did not

mind that, I couldn't keep still and telling it, and telling it, I couldn't forget it, you see. Her face, as she said this, was radiant.

Another widow has but recently claimed the Saviour as her Saviour. She is a timid little body, who, fearful of her elder brother and mother-in-law's wrath, has not made bold to tell her new-found joy; she only whispered it to me one morning by the village tank, whither she had come for water.

I wish you could see the bappy face of the blind girl as she sings the hymns we have taught her, and tries to tell their meaning to those about her. She is learning much of the precious word, too. How precious it is to her, you can hardly realize. After such passages as, "I am come as light into the world, that whosoever believeth in Me should not abide in darkness," she will say, "and these are Jesus' own words! lingering lovingly on the Her husband is a dreadful man. Jesus."

In the Christian homes we have endeavored to obey the Saviour-" teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you," and we trust that many have been led on to better and higher things. ()ur hope is in the power and faithfulness of these Christian women.

as witnesses to the truth,

Often have I felt that Akidu and the villages within a radius of five or six miles (twenty in number), were all and more than we could possibly manage, and that we must confine ourselves to these if we would do any really lasting work. For a month or two we would devote our whole time to them, then would come a call from the pastor of one of the churches-" Come and help us," and there would rise up before me visions of village after village with their hundreds of homes, and their hundreds of women-sours, sours, and remembering that if we do not tell them the way of salvation, no one else will, we get us away on a tour to the regions beyond. Time would fail me to tell of each tour separately. Ruth and I, or Ruth Annamma and I have spent a week, ten days, and even twenty days in one church; working in that particular village, and going out to the villages round about.

Among the Christians it has been our aim to give them something that would abide-teaching them some passages of Scripture, teaching it till they knew it word for word, and could in some measure grasp its meaning. This has been accomplished at women's meetings, and in the homes, as we visited from house to house. Then, just as we have learned to know our sisters a little, just as we have gotten somewhat into touch with them, and the evening Bible-class is full of interest, and the children have learned to know the hour of their daily meeting, and in the caste houses fear has given place to trust, then we must move on to some other church, and begin again the work there.

Though ofttimes our message is scorned and rejected, and we ourselves are abused, still, in visiting these villages months later, we find that our faces and our words have not been forgotten, and often in the schools visited the lesson of three months ago, can be given in substance by many of the pupils. All this is encouraging, and we thank God for it.

The Sunday schools are making progress both in num-bers and in character of the work done. There are now ten schools, nearly all of which are attended by parents as well as children, for all need the same instruction; even the parents are mere children in Christian knowledge, and with all it must be "line upon line, line upon line, precept upon precept, precept upon precept; here a little and there a little." After many months they have grasped a few of the truths that mean so much to us, and make

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All of April, May and June, Mr. and Mrs. Craig were on the hills, seeking a much-needed rest and change, and my time was necessarily divided between the boarding, school and household duties in Mrs. Craig's absence, and meeting, advising and directing Mr. Craig's workers in his absence. Miss Rogers was with me during the three months, and kindly relieved me of two Bible-classes. The remainder, together with the sewing-classes and the hour when I opened the doors to those who came for medicine, occupied my mornings. During April and May there was a great deal of sickness about, and every day I did my poor best for the afflicted bodies of from fifteen to thirty people. Invariably a Bible-woman or preacher was kept on the veranda to tell of the Great Healer.

Until the end of April I persevered in my visits to the village, but during May and June "old sol" and the scorohing west wind were too much for my courage, and I withdrew for a little quiet, coming apart and fitting and

furnishing for future work.

For what these months have brought me I am thankful. I feel that I have gained a knowledge of the boarding-school and general working of the field as a whole, that I could not have had in years, confined to my own particular department of the work.

Villages seen, 89; visits made, 797; women's meetings conducted, 47; children's meetings, 81; general prayermeetings, or rather Bible-classes, 64; on tour, 105 days. Visits made by Bible-women in company with the mis-

sionary or otherwise, 1,617.

While reviewing what the Lord has wrought through His handmaidens, I would that I could make all His goodness to pass before you, as I have seen and experienced it during the year, but I cannot, and I will not try, will only bless and praise His Name for it all.

Pray for us in this His work and your work.

Yours for India's women,

F. M. STOVEL.

August 15th, 1891.

Tuni.

My Dear Miss Buchan, -- Something from Tuni will no doubt interest you at this time. The work of the Bible women has been similar to that of other years, four workers in all, with the addition of two others during some three months or more. Since writing you last year, some idea of the greatness of this work has been realized; While on tour last November, and again in February, (I think) such crowds of women surrounded me all day. and every day, and such opportunities were given for work among them, as would have delighted the most ardent missionary. At one time we were camped near a number of villages in a lovely Mango grove, and from the nearest one, each day, so many women came, that all from that village, at least (with the exception of a few Brahmin women, perhaps) must have heard something of the fountain that was opened in the house of David, for sin and for uncleanness, and these were all caste women, with the exception of the Christians from a more distant village, who came with their relations and friends to see us more than once. It was very nice sitting in the shade of the trees and after talking to a group of women for an hour or more, to find one unwilling to leave even though it were time to draw the water or cook the rice.

At another time, while in camp near three different villages in which Christians live, great interest was shown; from Ballgattam, where David- a preacher—and Sarah his wife, reside, came every day to the tent, a woman, who said she was believing, and who would sit for hours and listen to all that was said to the many who crowded around. Sarah teaches a number of caste boys, (she and David were formerly caste people) but during my stay there of a few days, she brought to me, or took me to, almost all the women in her village. But perhaps the most interesting event of this tour was, when one moonlight night, we walked (driving where possible) over to Dar-masagram, where Hannah lives, some times miles from our camping ground, and there seated at her very clean house door, the missionary and his preachers talked long and earnestly to the many who came around. Here we found that Hannah had not been idle, for later, when the crowd of women that had gathered around the missionary's wife, were listening to her, one among them stepped forward and turning to the others, told them how she believed all this, and exhorted them all to leave their idols and worship the God that made them; this she did with the greatest earnestness and energy imaginable. Upon enquiry she was found to be the mother of the young man, Hannah sent in for baptism the year before and who is now studying at the seminary.

Some time in March, a woman with two children came in from Nandur, who spoke of trusting in Christ, that an old blind Christian woman out there had taught her, only her husband had threatened to turn her out and take the

children away, if she was baptized,

Last week some eight women came to the bungalow, they had often listened to the Bible-women. "We do

not worship idols now," they said.

So you see the women of India, here and there at least, are coming, some of them tired and thirsty, to the Fountain of Life. "We do not trust our idola," they are saying, but still they are held down through fear, from confeasing His name. But what India's sone and daughters need for their redemption is that believing mothers, though it mean the loss of all, confess His name; is that believing sons, careless of position, or property, leave all, that they may confess His name, for so it has always been, where the banner of the Cross floats free above a Christian nation's head—a night of darkness ere the morning broke.

MAGGIE DENOVAN GARSIDE.

Mission House, Aug. 18, 1891.

The Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario.

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Brooklin	317 00 .	Workers \$3)	\$20 00 42 00	Toronto, 17th October, 1891.
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Lindsay Osbawa .	19 00 . 5 00		19 00 5 00	FOR THE "THANK-OFFERING" FUND.
Port Perry	12 49 .	1 82 .	14 81	The amounts credited below to the different Circles are included in the
Reaboro'	2 25		2 26	sums named in the Report.
Stouffville. Uxbridge.	10 05 16 00	25 50	10 05 40 50	Brantford, East Ward \$4.00 Simcoe \$5.00 First Church 12.00 St. Catharines, Lyman Street 11.75
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Scotland	17 25		17 26	Palsley 7 25 Wolverton 4 55
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